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Mansfield freshman class largest in 9 years

Though freshman class swells, overall population stable

by Lisa R. Robinson
staff reporter

Mansfield University Vice-President for Academic Affairs Joseph Moore says the rumor that this year's freshman class is abnormally large is just that—a rumor. While the university did welcome its largest incoming class since 1989, Moore said the actual number of students who enrolled this semester only surpassed last year's prediction by 36 students.

"Every year I set targets for the next year," Moore said. "My target for this year was 900. The actual number of students for this year was 936."

Moore further brought the situation into focus by breaking down the categories of incoming students. He said transfer students represent 200 of the total class; readmitted students, those returning after a period of absence, rep-

resent 60; other students, those enrolled in order to obtain some type of certification or second degree, represent 25; and new freshmen total 651.

Moore added that compared to last year's enrollment, the increase in students is not substantial considering that the total enrollment has jumped from 2,907 to only 2,981. He did note, however, that the number of students residing in 16 New York counties affected by the "Good Neighbor" policy had doubled for this year to a little over 100.

Moore said the "Good Neighbor" policy was implemented to make Mansfield University more affordable to residents of New York's Southern Tier, a region Moore feels the University has always strived to serve. The policy dropped those students' tuition from \$8,800 to \$5,200. The change affects not only freshmen but students from these counties who are already enrolled in the university.

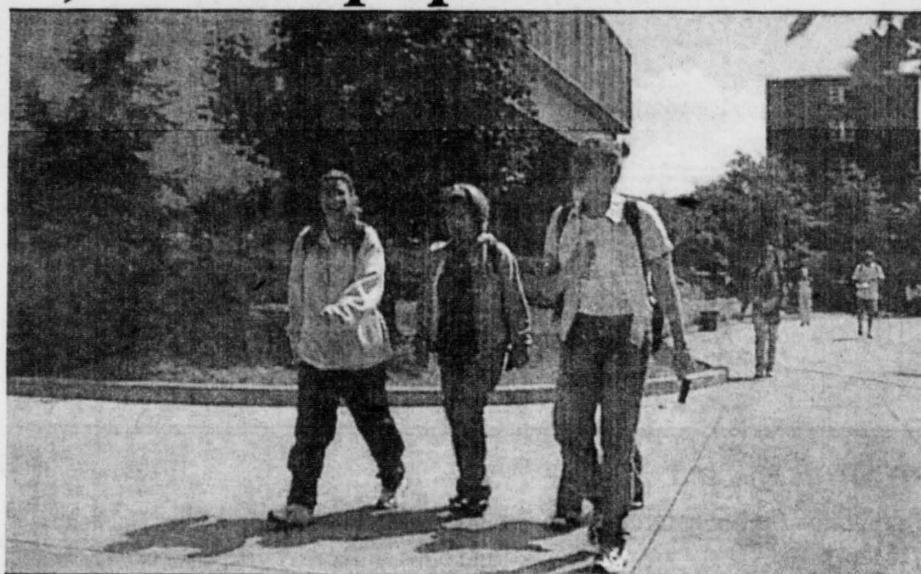


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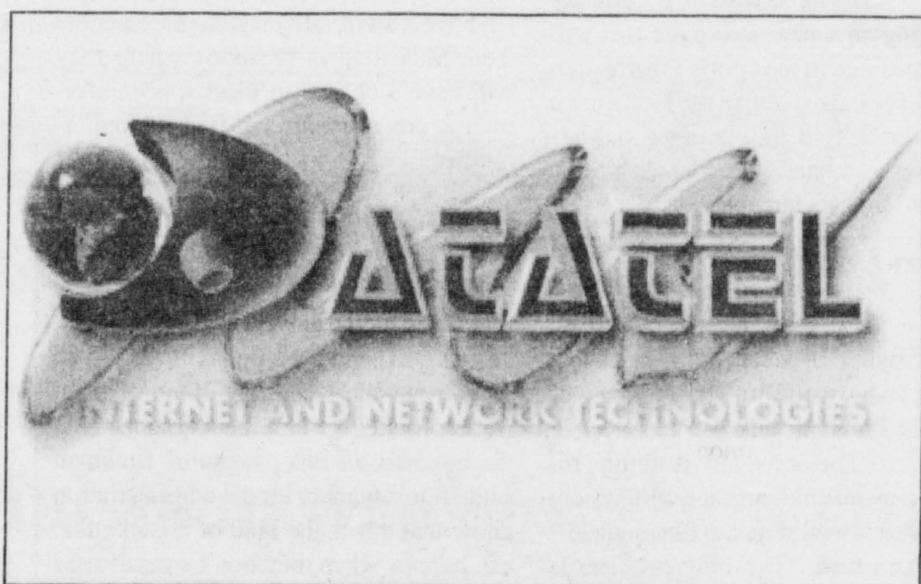
Members of the new freshman class make their way to classes

Moore does not believe the drop in price was the only reason behind the increase in students from this region and for that matter the increase in enrollment overall.

"Price only matters if you can deliver on the right environment and the

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New database causes problems on campus



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Response to the new program Datatel has been mixed

by Josh Cusatis
news editor
Pamela Beaver
staff reporter

This past summer, the faculty and administration of Mansfield University began using the Datatel computer system for all the university's student information needs.

The use of this program has created many problems for faculty members who are student advisors said Dr. Stephen Bickham, chairperson for both the MU philosophy department and the MU Academic Advising Committee.

"It's a very difficult program to use," Bickham said. "It's very old fashioned. It doesn't work with Windows and is very primitive compared to what we

previously used."

The problems that the Datatel program is creating for the faculty is also creating problems for the MU students.

"It's harder for faculty to get information about students to advise them," Bickham said. "Everything is on the Datatel system and many of the faculty don't know how to use it."

Workshops have been held for the faculty to learn the Datatel system Bickham said.

"Roger Hetrick has been running workshops and has done a lot of work at making the system better," Bickham said. "The only problem is that many faculty cannot make it to these workshops because of classes or other work."

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Sports Information Director receives honor

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

Mansfield University's Sports Information Director (SID), Steve McCloskey, was named President of the East Coast Athletic Conference Sports Information Directors Association (ECAC-SIDA) at the annual ECAC-SIDA Workshop held in Wilkes Barre in June.

The ECAC-SIDA is the second largest organization of sports publicists and promoters in the nation. The association not only includes all NAIA, Division I, II and III colleges and universities, it includes SID's involved with

professional sports teams.

"Being president of the ECAC-SIDA is important to me, but being in a position to help Mansfield University students into the sports information field is what is most important," McCloskey said. "I have the chance to know almost everybody in the business and that helps. People want to know who they are going to hire and I am going to have the chance to introduce Mansfield students to SID's all up and down the east coast."

For the 11 years that McCloskey has been SID, the Mansfield sports information office has complimented the communication department.

"We have always had a good

relationship between the communications department and Steve's office. A number of students from Mansfield have gone into the sports information field through working at his office," Communication Department Chairman Mike Leiboff said. "His office has always been a good spot for people to learn about the field and make contacts."

A number of Mansfield Students have graduated and gone directly into SID jobs in the past. Two of the most recent working in the field are 1997 graduate Jackie Williams, Assistant SID at Binghamton University, and 1994

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Sports Information Director Steve McCloskey was recently named President of ECAC-SIDA.

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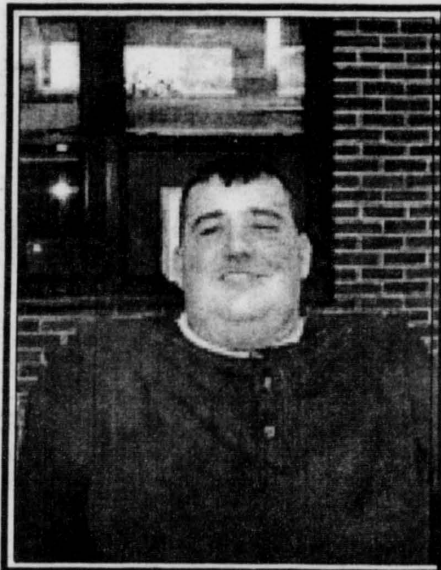
"Do you think the campus is too crowded?"

by Lisa Robinson



Traci Weston
Freshman

"No. It's not too crowded."



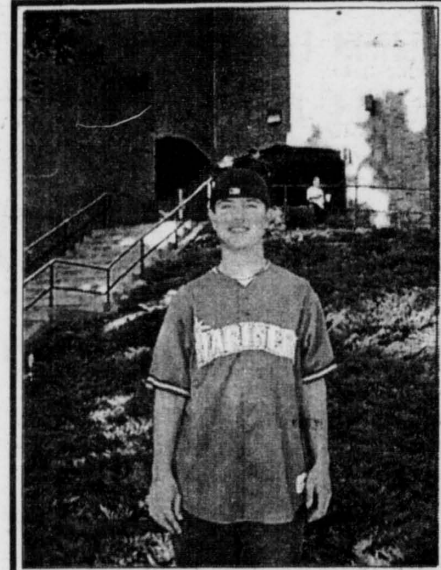
Troy Strickland
Senior

"A little too crowded."



Liz Nizet
Freshman

"No. I don't think so. Not at all."



Jeff King
Freshman

"No."

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right programs for an individual student," Moore said.

Kelli Wojtyna, 18, a criminal justice major from Elmira, N.Y., agrees with Moore's assessment.

"I came to Mansfield because it felt like home and because it had the major I wanted," Wojtyna stated. "When I came here they treated me like family, plus it is close to home."

To those who may be asking if the increase in enrollment, no matter how small, came from the university's lowering of academic standards, Moore said the answer is an "unequivocal no."

"In fact we rejected more applicants this year than last year," Moore said.

New university President John Halstead and other university officials believe the increase in enrollment is a result of a combination of good marketing and the new tuition policy.

"In the last year, the university has made a strong effort to trumpet its many attributes through advertising and other means," Halstead said. "It's one thing to have one of the finest high-technology libraries in the state and an all-new fitness center, but it's quite another to make sure people know how uncommon these facilities are in a rural, safe environment like Mansfield's. Delivering that message has had a definite positive impact on enrollment."

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graduate Josh Leiboff, STD at Kutztown University.

The ECAC-SIDA's main purpose is to help its members improve the quality and output of their publications.

"Our responsibility is to help provide the tools, the experience and ability to SID's up and down the eastern seaboard to improve their jobs," McCloskey said. "The biggest ways that we do that are our workshops and our newsletters that we publish."

The ECAC-SIDA is currently working on a new web page that will list openings in the sports information field. They also publish the Hometown Handbook that lists names and addresses of contact people within the ECAC-SIDA's territory.

The ECAC-SIDA is also involved with charity organizations. At the association's Workshop in Wilkes Barre, they raised a donation for the Tioga County Special Olympics with a Home Run Derby.

McCloskey is not new to ECAC-SIDA administration. He was nominated to the Board of Directors in 1993 and served as First Vice President last year.

McCloskey's responsibilities will be increased this year as president.

"I'll be overseeing all the meetings and making sure that the different committees are meeting their deadlines and hitting their targets," McCloskey said. "The most important part for me is that I'll have a lot of influence to place people from Mansfield in positions where they will have a chance to meet sports information professionals and find job opportunities."

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This program was purchased and installed because of upgrades that were being made to MU's computer system Bickham said.

"The university is getting rid of its mainframe and the old system just wasn't well suited to the upgrade," Bickham said. "The only problem is that we as advisers can't do as good a job as we should."

The MU faculty was not consulted about this program before it was

purchased for the university Bickham said.

"There are approximately 170 faculty members here and none of them were consulted by the administration about the purchase of this program," Bickham said. "I just want to let the administration know that this is the kind of mistake that can happen when they don't consult us. I also want to let the faculty know that we have to do everything we can to learn this program."

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Storytelling festival coming to Mansfield

by Thomas A. Jones
wire editor

Mansfield University will be host to the 18th annual Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival September 17 through the 20th, however, one scheduled storyteller, Jackie Torrence will not be attending.

Jackie Torrence has been featured as one of the storytellers at this year's festival, but has been hospitalized due to illness.

According to the NSA (National Storytelling Association) internet page, she has had to cancel her performances for at least the next few months.

The Storytelling Association has arranged to have David Holt take her place.

"David Holt might just be the ultimate professional storyteller," said the National Storytelling Association home page. "He is a long time favorite of Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival fans."

Holt has also pledged to donate

his fees to Torrence's medical costs.

The Festival will feature two experienced storytellers, and four performers making their debut.

In addition to David Holt, Dan Keding will return this year. Keding is known for his stories of heroes, heroines, dragons, giants, ghosts and goblins from around the world and from his boyhood on the South Side of Chicago.

New to the festival will be the team of Billy Teare and Liz Weir. Both specialize in the wonder and traditional art stories that Ireland made famous.

Also new is Michael Parent, a storyteller from Virginia.

"One of his specialties is Franco-American tales he often heard as a child growing up in the Northeast," said the NSA internet page. "Michael was almost a festival in himself."

Laura Simms is the final new performer to the Storytelling festival. She has been called "The Queen of American Storytelling" by critics.

"Laura has a spellbinding way of leading listeners into the heart of a story that makes it impossible not to follow," the Chicago Tribune said.



Pictured is storyteller Jackie Torrence

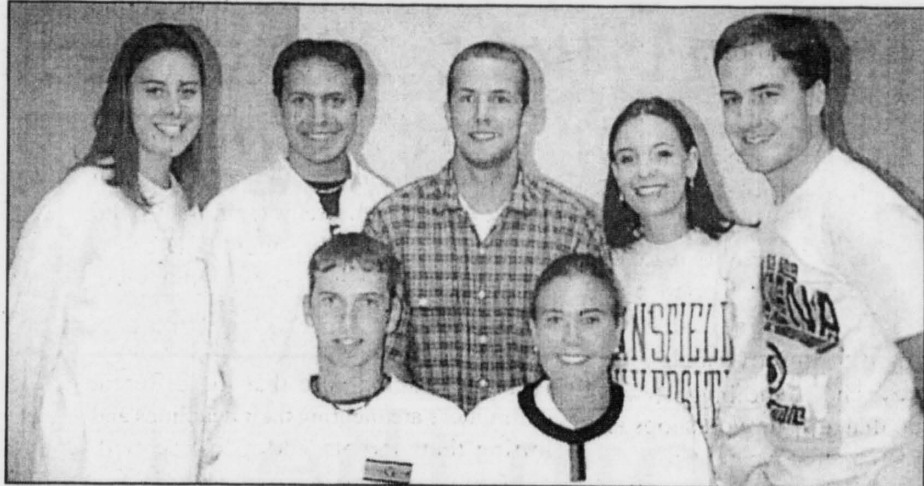
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Simms will be conducting a two-day workshop in addition to her performance at the storyfest. The workshop will be for adult storytellers and will be held Thursday and Friday, September 17 and 18th. Tuition for this workshop is \$135.

Admission to the shows are \$7 for general tickets, \$6 for university students and seniors. The shows will be held Friday and Saturday evening.

Tickets for the Friday ghost show are \$3 for all spectators. Saturday afternoon shows are \$5 for everyone.

Student government discusses various student problems



Pictured above is the SGA executive board

photo by Yeager

by Suzanne Yeager
staff reporter

**Editors' note: The following story combines coverage for two weeks of SGA meeting action.*

Mansfield University's newly-appointed technical resources director warned students against the dangers of

using Social Security numbers as computer identification and predicted that many conversion-related computer problems in North Hall would be resolved by mid-semester.

In a Tuesday meeting of the Student Government Association, Director of Technical Resources Connie Beckman discussed the use of Social Security numbers as identification on campus and said other numbers would

be safer for student records. She explained how the Social Security number is for demographic information, but that it is not the key to the files. Students are assigned different numbers when they are enrolled, and eventually the Social Security identification system will be phased out.

Beckman also discussed the various problems students have been having with the computers in North Hall during the conversion process. She

"The Windows 95 project will take about a year because there are so many computers," Beckman said. "We hope that the majority of products will be ready to roll by mid-terms."

Computer arrangements on the third and fourth floors of the library have been changed, but they are not stable as of now. The Elliot lab is stable and the Doane lab is still working on Windows 3.1. Beckman urged students encountering computer problems at the library to pick up a courtesy phone which connects to the Information Desk on the second floor. Computer users also may dial

"HELP" from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on a regular phone and speak to someone at the computer center.

In other activity at the SGA meeting:

—It was announced that five SGA representatives will travel to the Board of Student Government Presidents meeting on September 25-26 at the Dixon Center in Harrisburg. They will have dinner with the chancellor and attend meetings with other SGA senators from all the state universities in Pennsylvania. The next student presidents' will be at Edinboro University in October.

—SGA also received a memo from President Halstead stating that Alumni Hall is being used by 300 students and 15 teachers from Mansfield High School. The 7th and 8th graders are being bused to the university for classes because their school is currently being remodeled.

Student government meetings take place each Monday @ 9:00 in room 204 Memorial Hall.

Halstead welcomes new students during Convocation

by Thomas A. Jones
wire editor

Mansfield University President John Halstead welcomed new and returning students at the 1998 Fall Convocation, Monday August 24th, at 2:00pm in Straughn Auditorium. Professor Margaret Lainus addressed the full house after President Halstead regarding expectations for the new year.

Halstead said he feels like this is his freshman year, referring to his being selected Mansfield University president to replace retiring President Rodney C. Kelchner at the end of the 1997-98 school year.

"I feel like a new student," Halstead said.

Halstead also said that he is still in a listening and learning mode. He plans to evaluate his actions according to several criteria.

Halstead's criteria questions are: "what are we doing," "for what purpose," "for whom," and "how is it

making MU a better place?"

"You [students] are real people," said Halstead. "You are our reason for being here."

Halstead also stated that the Convocation is about learning.

"That's what we're most proud of," said Halstead. "Being a community of learners."

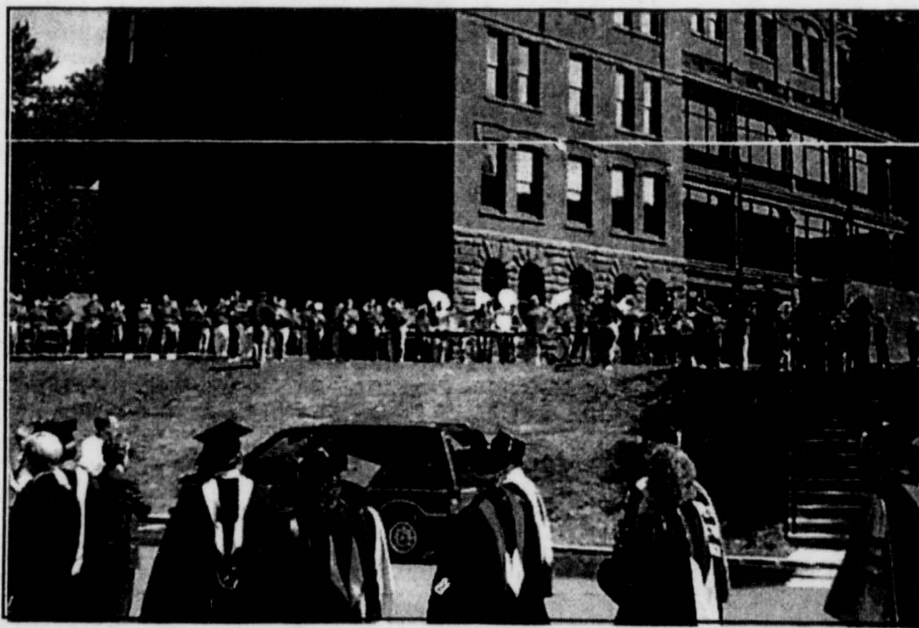
Halstead closed his speech by saying that the freshman class is of a whole new generation.

"Make the most of your possibilities here at Mansfield University," Halstead said.

Professor Margaret Lainus of the MU Psychology Department followed President Halstead with a list of "4 keys to academic success."

"Today is the first day of the rest of your life," Lainus said. "You have the opportunity for a whole new life."

"You have more to do than time to do it," she said. Between class, work, and eating, sleeping will become a distant memory. To balance everything, Lainus said that the first key to academic



Students wind through campus during Convocation ceremonies.

photo by Jonze

success is planning.

The second key is prioritizing. "You can't do it all and you can't have it all," Lainus said.

"Make a gainous impression on your professors," she said. Participation

is the third key.

The fourth key to academic success is something you should avoid, Lainus said. Procrastination.

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Art Education:
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Where: Allen Hall Room 111
Time: 12:30-1:30pm

Music Education:
When: September 17, 1998
Where: Butler Room 102
Time: 12:15-1:00pm

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Chicagoan vows he will clone himself, then others

BOSTON (AP) — A Chicago physicist who provoked controversy earlier this year by announcing plans to clone humans has announced that the first person he will try to copy will be himself.

Richard Seed said his wife, Gloria, has agreed to carry an embryo that would be created by combining the nucleus of one of Seed's cells with a donor egg, according to The Boston Globe.

Seed would not reveal his wife's age, but described her as "post-menopausal."

Since cloning carries the risk of still births or abnormal fetuses, there are clearly risks associated with the present technology, the 69-year-old Seed said Saturday while speaking at a Boston meeting of the Association for Politics and the Life Sciences, a group of academic researchers.

"I have decided to clone myself first to defuse the criticism that I'm taking advantage of desperate women with a procedure that's not proven," said Seed.

Seed has three Harvard degrees, including a Ph.D., but he has no medical degree, no money and no institutional backing.

During his talk, Seed said cloning would be the first step in discovering immortality, and that he had already received hundreds of calls, including several from parents of dying children who say they are interested in cloning them.

He said he has been invited by two foreign countries to set up research laboratories. He also insists that his Human Clone Clinic located near Chicago will produce a pregnancy with a human clone within 2 1/2 years.

Starr delivers his report on President to congress



Photo provided
President Clinton arrived in Washington Thursday.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The report that Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr delivered to Congress on Wednesday contained "substantial and credible evidence" of possible impeachable offenses by the president, Starr's spokesman said.

An impeachment is a momentous event in the nation's history, one for which lawmakers have been preparing. Here, in question and answer form, is a look at what has happened — and what will likely happen next.

Q: What is the purpose of the report to Congress?

A: The independent counsel law requires a special prosecutor such as Starr to "advise the House of Representatives of any substantial and credible information ... which may constitute grounds for an impeachment."

Starr has been gathering evidence of possible obstruction of justice, perjury and abuse of presidential powers in the Monica Lewinsky case. His report now

serves as the basis for lawmakers to decide whether to begin impeachment proceedings against the president.

Q: What role does the Judiciary Committee play?

A: The House, specifically the Judiciary Committee, has first responsibility for any impeachment proceedings against a president. Its initial job would be to determine whether sufficient grounds exist for a full impeachment inquiry.

In addition to reviewing prosecutors' evidence, the committee, led by Illinois Republican Henry Hyde, could take depositions, issue subpoenas and conduct hearings. If the committee decides that a formal inquiry is warranted, it would seek a House vote to authorize such an investigation.

The objective would be to develop articles of impeachment that the Senate would use during a trial to justify the president's removal from office. These articles, similar to an indictment, would be sent to the full House. For them to go before the Senate, the House would have to approve the articles by majority vote.

Q: What type of conduct can get a president impeached?

A: The Constitution refers only to "treason, bribery, or other high crimes and misdemeanors," without further definition. The House Judiciary Committee must determine whether Clinton's conduct, as described by prosecutors, is covered by the terms in use.

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What's in it for us?

Returning Mansfield University students may have noticed several changes from last year. The lunch lines seem to be a little longer, the Financial Aid office was a little more packed, and there is a plethora of high school students running amok on the walkways of the University.

These students are from the local Mansfield high School, and they have staken claim to Alumni Hall. They have leased Alumni from the University while renovations are being made at their own school.

In exchange for our kindness, in exchange for our invitation to live with us, and grow with us, as one gigantic learning community, in exchange for all that, we receive one dollar.

One dollar? A dollar won't even buy a pack of smokes these days, let alone pay for the enourmous bill incurred by the new Rodney C. Kelchner Recreation Center, or the renovation of Alumni Hall.. One dollar does not supply the students of Mansfield University with a working computer operating system that is up to date. One dollar will not help provide scholarships for any of the deserving students of Mansfield University. Nor will it provide the Committee on Finance with the funds it needs to supply the student clubs.

One dollar also will not provide the students of Mansfield University with better movies on the Campus Movie Channel each weekend. One dollar will not increase the size of the dorm rooms, or enable the hiring of cleaning personnel to clean the Men's Room on the second floor of Retan.

One dollar won't reduce tuition, and it won't enable a most favored neigher policy with several counties in New Jersey. It won't improve the quality of the food in Manser, or reduce the size of the lines in the dining hall. One dollar won't allow every student access to the internet, and it won't deflate the cost of class textbooks.

One dollar won't provide for the electricity required by North Hall. It won't update the computers in the Flashlight office, or the library, or the Doane Center, or the Student Computer lab. It won't allow the Student Activities Office to lower the price of day-old Hot-Dogs.

One dollar probably won't go very far in easing the process whereby students are able to move off campus. It won't allow faculty and students to cut through the beuaracracy of the add-drop period, the financial aid process or the book checkout system at the library.

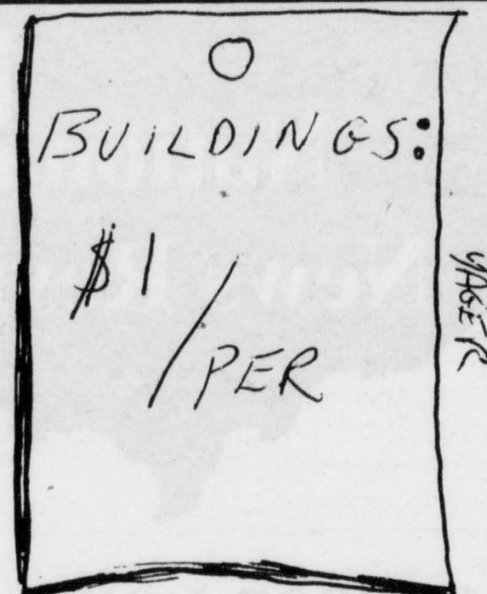
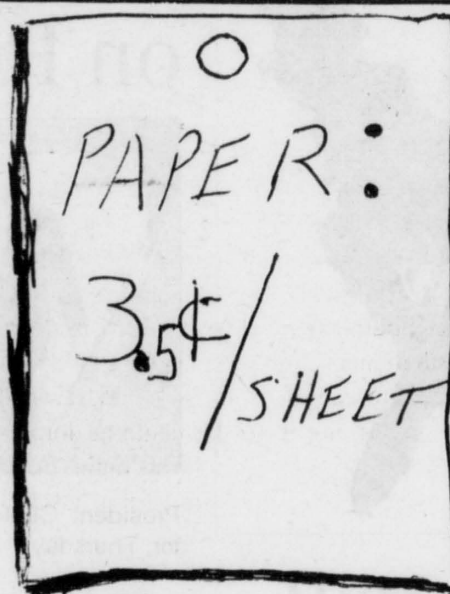
One dollar won't help the Student Government Association to recruit more members, or help MAC plan activities. It won't give our Football Team a winning season (or give them a cooler name). It also won't help Greeks and non-Greeks get along.

So what will one dollar do for the University, the Students,, and to foster a sense of peace and brotherhood on campus? Well, the administration could add it the annual operating expenses of the University, and maybe purchase a blank tape for the video club, or a nifty pen set for a retiring Professor. Maybe that one dollar could go toward buying a blank disk to be shared by all in the library.

However that one dollar is allocated, the question still reamins: What do we get out of it? What do the students get out of it? A building is being rented out to the local community (which is so supportive of the University Students). What do the students get for risking lawsuits, for risking accidents, for providing space, for fostering education, for going above and beyond the call of duty?

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Class dismissed.



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Commentary Policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writers name, major, class, and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

Letters to the Editor Policy

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We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

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Commentary

Editor rediscovers a love of professional wrestling

by Darren A. Meehan
co-editor

It has come to my attention in the past few months that, after years of obscurity, professional wrestling is back. It's on television almost every night, it's the source of argument and fascination on the Internet and department stores once again now find space on shelves for wrestling action figures. But things have changed since a golden-colored behemoth named Hulk Hogan toppled an awkward giant named, appropriately, Andre the Giant while "The Hulkster's" prepubescent Hulkamaniacs cheered him on to another victory.

When professional wrestling reached its peak in the 1980's, it was a phenomena for little boys with few others taking notice unless they were taking little Davey to the big arena to watch the Junkyard Dog confuse and eventually beat a hokey Elvis rip-off named the Honky Tonk Man. Little boys watched it because it was a sport and people bled. Sure, I knew it was fake just like the next kid, but I liked it for what it was: an ac-

robatic sport where I watched a new hold slapped on an old legend and it seemed to hurt more than any of the other moves. I liked the lights and the fireworks and the blood and the lovely Elizabeth and I liked it when the neighborhood kids gathered to watch Wrestlemania.

And the, just as intensely as I had watched it, I stopped watching it. I liked the new wrestlers coming in like the Undertaker, but I couldn't stand to watch the same fake crap week after week. I divorced myself from pro wrestling just as many others did at the same time and began high school and then college.

I stopped watching the World Wrestling Federation because it was missing something a growing teenage boy needed: women. And so I discovered General Hospital and Days of Our Lives and found a full selection of women who, if they weren't in bed were dressing like they were going to be there soon enough. I know all of this sounds sexist, but that's the way I was. I couldn't get enough of middle aged women in lingerie when I came home from school. Sue me! I had needs!

And so through college I cared not who won the royal rumble but who won a night with Carrie and what she'd be wearing for the winner. I laughed at my roommate for continuing his obsession with wrestling and couldn't understand why he'd watch it every week.

Why was he wasting his time? He could be doing so many other things with his nights besides watching the tube and I tried like hell to get him to stop until the day I walked by the TV and heard the Undertaker learn that Kane, an anti-Christ figure in a red and black leather suit was his brother.

And soon after that a beer-chugging redneck bluntly spoke his mind and ended every "ass kickin'" soliloquy with "because Stone Cold said so" and an insatiable desire to give everyone and anyone the "one finger salute". You can feel this guy's anger and you want him to make his boss, owner Vince McMahon, look like the biggest ass on the planet.

In the beginning of this year, as neighborhood kids who were officially recognized as college junior and seniors gathered for Monday Night Raw I real-

ized how WWF was making it's comeback: it is the perfect soap opera for men!

It included the women and the blood and the violence and the anger and the feeling of victory over the opponent and a storyline. It's not a legitimate sport and I know that just as (I hope) everyone else does. But it's got a storyline.

It didn't have it before but it does now. The classic themes of literature exist: man vs. man, man vs. nature, man vs. God, man vs. self and all the others.

Now the blue collar worker fights his boss and we can sympathize because we all hate our bosses. Brothers collide in a quest for the title of champion and a vampire-like creature drinks blood before the match while a vampire-slayer-like figure hovers in the crowd. A busty blonde woman fights her ex-husband and his new partner, a busty African-American woman.

These are the things men need in their lives. I'm sure we'll all get tired of it soon but, for right now, it's the best damn thing on TV and that's the bottom line!

Debate rages over series of political debates in Ohio

by John McCarthy
associated press

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A debate is raging in the race for governor, and it's not taking place in a town

hall or TV studio.

The campaigns of Democrat Lee Fisher and Republican Bob Taft are quibbling about who can be included in a series of debates scheduled to begin this month.

Taft wants all four candidates for governor to take part, including the Reform Party's John Mitchel and Natural Law candidate Zanna Feitler, who is on the ballot as an independent.

Fisher said he'd agree to include Mitchel and Feitler in one debate, but wants to go head-on with Taft in the others.

And while the two campaigns are still in touch with the various debate sponsors, neither camp is talking to the other about the debates, aides said Friday.

Two weeks ago, Taft accepted Fisher's challenge to take part in five debates, and asked for one more between them and another between their running mates: Democrat Michael Coleman and Republican Maureen O'Connor.

Then the wheels started to fall off.

First, Taft set the condition that the debates should include all four candidates. He said that as secretary of state, he wanted to assure voters that he was not playing favorites by debating Fisher only.

Fisher's campaign said Taft was dodging their candidate because Taft was ahead in the latest polls and held a fund-raising lead. They said the sponsors had set the rules and didn't want Mitchel and Feitler included.

Since then, both campaigns have been quiet about the debates.

It's not dissimilar to what happened in 1994, when Republican incumbent George Voinovich was opposed by little-known state Sen. Robert Burch, a Democrat. Voinovich had raised more than 20 times the campaign cash that Burch did and cruised to a 46-percentage-point victory.

Voinovich, with a big lead in the polls, had little reason to debate Burch, who had so little money that most of his television ads ran on cable.

The two squared off just once, in Cincinnati.

Taft spokesman Brett Buerck indicated on Friday that a resolution is not right around the corner. He said the two campaigns are not discussing the issue, but that Taft's aides have been in touch with some of the debate sponsors.

"We're continually talking to them, but at this point, there doesn't seem to be much," Buerck said.

Alan Melamed, Fisher's campaign chairman, said his campaign was talking with the sponsors as well.

"There's dialogue with some of the sponsors ... and the sponsors still want only Lee Fisher and Bob Taft to participate in the debate," he said. "I hope Bob Taft will see the light."

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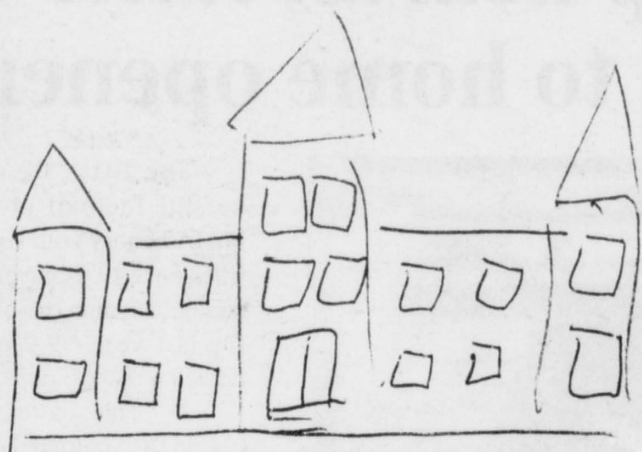
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A composite sketch of what North Hall would look like without Memorial Hall.

Now I REMember!

by Josh Cusatis
creative blockade

I've got a question? Its not a very deep question or a very important one. But what I want to know is this: How does Michael Stipe come up with the words that he does?

If you're not an REM freak you probably don't want to read beyond this point.

Everytime I discover the words to another REM song I'm completely amazed at what he's written.

I only ask this because it's only been recently that I've truly become and REM freak myself. That is, only within the past three years.

I've known about REM for quite a long time. The first song I ever heard by them was "So. Central Rain" which would be about '82. But I never gave them much consideration. I can re-

member dying over songs like "The One I Love" and "Stand."

Three years ago, I heard someone say that REM was the band we had all grown up with. Now, I don't claim to say that is true for everybody. But the more I thought about it (i.e. - listening to them here in the office), the more I began to realize that it was true for me.

They were the one band that I always liked and knew quite a bit of their material. So I bought an album and remembered everything that I liked about them without even knowing it.

In being an REM fan, I'm collecting every song that I loved to mindlessly listen to on the radio. Its really an innocent thing.

If you're an REM fan but don't know anything before "Automatic For The People," you're missing a lot. Maybe Stipe's secret is buried in one of his songs?

(This advertisement not paid for.)

The final phase of my plan; the destruction of Memorial Hall

by Matt Noldy
joint features writer

It's funny what people remember in their lives. One thing I remember is the long car ride my family took to get my brother to college. I was a youngster at the time- my brother is six years my elder. I remember the fish eyed view of the world through the rear window of my father's red Park Avenue. The ride was long and it seemed longer; childhood always makes a mile seem longer than it is. One thing my parents and brother talked about was a new highway that would better connect the eastern part of Pennsylvania to the western. This particular conversation continued over the next few years and then I quit going along for the ride. I'm not sure if this super hi-way was ever built, but it was a dream that somebody had of change. A way to make something better.

These dreams of change exist all over the world and even right here at Mansfield University. The

slogan around her is *Imagine* and that is just what they are asking the students to do. The change started with North Hall. Upon my arrival it was commonly said that Native American spirits living in caves under North Hall would be unleashed on Mansfield if the building was renovated. That was six years ago. Now Mansfield University boasts one of the best university libraries in the country. The dream that was a new rec center is now the state-of-the-art Rod C. Kelchner Fitness Center. Now talk has begun about a mysterious "super building" that would replace Belknap Hall, Retan Center and the old Recreation Center. Rumor has it there will be a parking garage and maybe even a helipad! (No sources were able to verify the helipad before we went to press). Currently progress is being made in the renovation of Alumni Hall. Alumni Hall is being renovated to make room for all of the activities that currently reside in Memorial Hall. So the question now is what to do with Memorial Hall? My friends, I too have a dream of change at Mansfield University... and it begins with the demolition of Memorial Hall!

I know this sounds destructive, however in the wake of Memorial Hall I see a beautiful piece of green land, free of sidewalks, steps and metal bars. I see poplar trees and benches littered around this space of open earth. Imagine- the majestic sight of our towering library from Academy Street with out Memorial Hall in the way. Imagine- a plot of grassy land on our campus where we could relax, throw a frisbee or eat our lunch with friends on a warm spring day. Imagine it all. We are the only campus on the Eastern Seaboard with out a grassy quad. I find it sad that the football field is the biggest plot of land covered entirely with grass on our campus. So "Imagine" my friends and our dreams can be accomplished. If enough people make a call for our quad- "Memorial Field" may be an attainable goal. I'm not sure what Memorial Hall is in memory of but we would know, as would future students, that Memorial Field is in memory of Memorial Hall.

(Editor's Note: Matt is fully licensed in explosives.)

Top Ten Famous Last Words

10. Yeah? Well, whadda' ya gonna do 'bout it, cop?
9. Iceberg? What iceberg?
8. I'm trying to graduate in four years.
7. Smoking never hurt anyone.
6. And that's that.
5. Pink Floyd could never exist without me.
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"We did some things very well last week and that's exciting to me and this football team... We just need to learn how to win and hopefully that's a lesson we'll learn sooner than later."

-MU Head Coach
Joe Viadella



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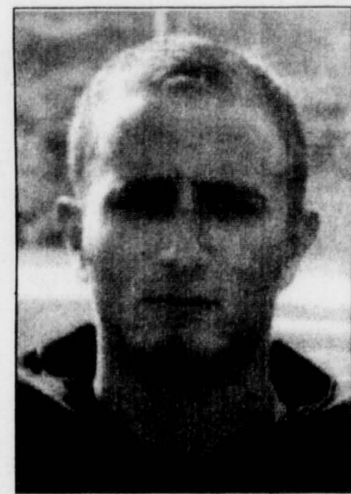
Todd Stewart

Stewart places first at Brockport Classic

Mansfield University may only have three men on their Cross Country team, but that does not mean there is a lack of talent.

Todd Stewart placed first at the Brockport Kick Off Classic out of a field of 48 runners.

His time of 26:50:80 beat the second place finisher's time by nearly nine seconds.



Tom O'Donnell

O'Donnell leads PSAC in place kicking

One of the many bright spots for the Mountaineers last week was their kicking game.

Tom O'Donnell booted two field goals and converted two extra points. His two field goals were from 25 and 26 yards out.

O'Donnell's effort made him the leading kicker in the PSAC after the first week of play.

He is also the PSAC's fourth leading scorer with nine points.

Mountaineers drop heartbreaker at West Liberty, look to home opener

The Mansfield University Mountaineers host Westminster College this Saturday in their 105th home opener. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

The game marks just the second meeting between the two team on the gridiron with Westminster holding a 1-0 series lead after last year's 34-12 victory at Westminster.

Both teams are coming off disappointing losses last week. The Mountaineers had an excellent effort in a heartbreaking 33-27 setback at West Liberty (WV) State.

Westminster suffered a rare regular season shutout at home in a 26-0 loss to The University of Indianapolis.

The Mountaineers looked impressive at West Liberty, especially in the first quarter where they built a 17-0 lead off a 25-yard field goal by Tom O'Donnell, a 87-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Lucas Smith to freshman Darrell Miller, and a one-yard scoring plunge by junior Lee Brannon.

After falling behind, MU rallied to retake the lead midway through the third quarter on a 67-yard scoring pass from Smith to junior tight end Bob Woodward.

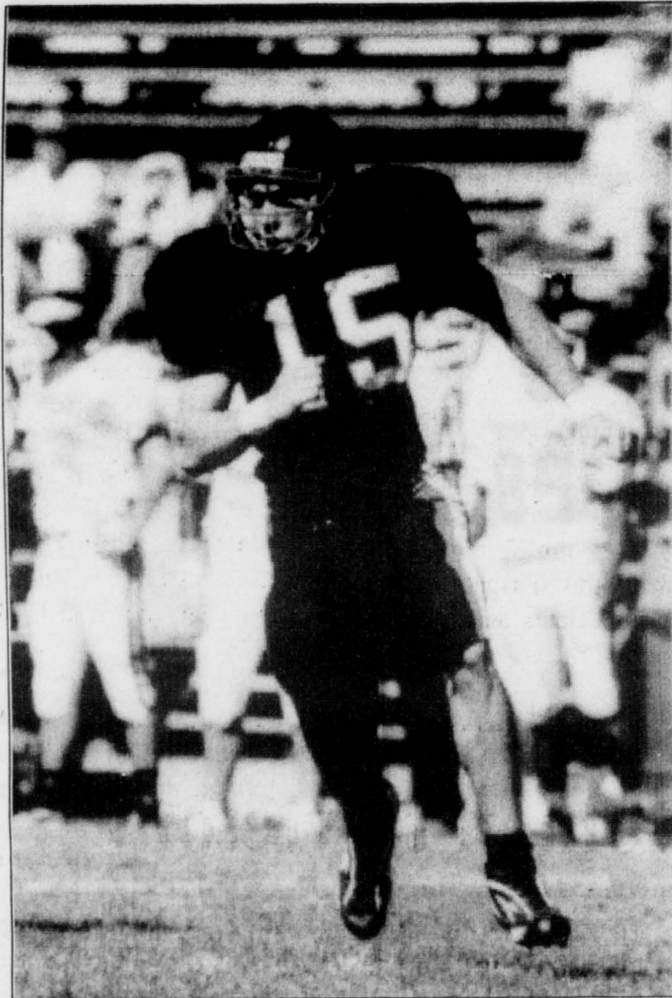
Two quick West Liberty scores put the Mountaineers behind again before O'Donnell hit his second field goal of the day, a 26-yarder to pull to 33-27.

MU had two chances to win the game in the final four minutes of the game, but both drives stalled at midfield.

"We did some things very well last week and that's exciting to me and this football team," Viadella said. "We had chances to win the game and our players feel like we should have. We just need to learn how to win and hopefully that's a lesson we will learn sooner than later."

The 27 points and the 414 yards in total offense were the second highest for MU in the last four years and should bode well for the future. Quarterback Lucas Smith passed for 282 yards and two touchdowns while rushing for another 41 yards.

Senior fullback Nate



Bob Woodward had one catch for the Mounties last week but he made it count for 79 yards and a touchdown.

Davis pulled down seven of Smith's completions for 55 yards, with senior Pete Herchik catching four passes for 57 yards. Lee Brannon highlighted the running game with 83 yards on 22 carries.

The defense was led by sophomore defensive tackle Tyson Figueroa with nine tackles including two for a loss. Sophomore linebacker Gabe Kamarousky was credited with eight tackles including one for a loss. Karl Buzak performed well in his first game for the Mountaineers with six tackles, a sack and two quarterback hurries.

"Although we lost a game we could have won, we did a lot of things well," said head coach Joe Viadella. "The offense moved the ball all game long and that was a big key for us coming into the season."

The breaks kind of went against us and we need to learn how to put teams away when we get ahead, but there was a lot of positive things to build on from this game."

Westminster had a rough start in their initial season of moving up to the NCAA Division II level against conference opponent the University of Indianapolis last Saturday.

The Titans, the most successful football program in NAIA history with six national titles since 1970, have posted 45 straight winning seasons including last year's 9-2 mark that earned a playoff appearance.

This season, they will play in the Southern Division of the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference competing with Ashland University, the University of Findlay, Hillsdale College, the University of Indianapolis, Mercyhurst College, and Wayne State University.

The Titan offense is led by senior running back Denny Flora, who although limited to 30 rushing yards on 19 carries last week, ran for 146 yards against the Mountaineers last season.

Westminster struggled offensively last week being held to just 104 yards in total offense. The Titans' used two quarterbacks in the opener with sophomore James Graham hitting for 38 yards and senior Brian Tokar 32 yards.

Senior All-American Nick Roberts keys an experienced squad and had eight interceptions last season.

"We thought we were a better team than last season going into West Liberty and after our performance there, I'm sure we are," Viadella said. "But for anyone to underestimate Westminster would be a serious mistake. They have a strong winning tradition there and they didn't get it by being lucky. They got it by being good and they have a very good team this year."

The Mountaineers will travel to Ithaca College next Saturday.

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MU hockey team enters season with new coach

Mounties return three seniors and look to improve on 9-7 season

Jason Feather
sports reporter

The Mansfield University field hockey team will have somewhat of a new look to it this season with new Head Coach Diane M. Monkiewicz at the helm.

Determined to sustain and build on the progress the program had made last season when they went 9-7 and earned the first winning season since 1985, Monkiewicz was hired after spending the last 20 years as either a player or coach.

Monkiewicz comes to Mansfield University from NCAA Division I University of Iowa where she excelled as both a player and a coach for the Hawkeyes.

The Mountaineers return three seniors in Christy Sunchych, (four goals and added an assist) Lindsay Brozena and Michelle Hosey who will be expected to provide leadership and valuable field experience to a very young Mountaineers team.



Diane Monkiewicz

Also returning are all-PSAC selections Jamie Huffcut and Misty Drasher, both sophomores.

A year ago as a freshman, Huffcut scored five goals and added five assists in becoming the third leading scorer on the team.

Drasher's solid defensive play was an integral part to the Mountaineers success last season.

Also returning to the Mountaineers this season, are juniors Alyssa Gates and Jen Manton.

As a freshman, Gates scored a goal and was able to earn valuable minutes which led to her playing an important role on the team.

Manton returns as the only goalie with collegiate experience. She could also be the only keeper on this year's team.

Last year, Manton started 13 of the 14 games she appeared in recording 143 saves while allowing just 28 goals for a 2.31 goals against average.

Junior college transfer Kelly Gettel joins the Mountaineer team after just one season at Herkimer Junior College. Gettel was named Most Outstanding Offensive Performer. She also helped Herkimer win the National Junior College Athletic Association Championship.

The Mountaineers open up the 1998 season this weekend with an afternoon matinee against SUNY-Brockport beginning at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Bentley College comes to Spaulding Field on Sunday again game time is at 1 p.m.



Senior Michelle Hosey will help lead this year's young field hockey team

Stewart finishes first for men, Beckel leads women to victory

The Mansfield University Cross Country team had an impressive first meet of the season last Saturday at the SUNY Brockport Kick-Off Classic.

In terms of individual performance, sophomore Todd Stewart (Hornell, NY/Hornell) crushed the competition by placing first in the 8,000 yard run.

Defeating 47 other competitors, Stewart ran the course in a time of 26:50.80, almost twenty seconds ahead of the second place finisher.

The only other Mountie runner to finish in the top 20 was freshman Gary Keim, who placed fifteenth with a time of 29:15.70.

For the women, Mansfield won the Kick-Off Classic with a total of 43 points. Three Mountie runners finished in the top ten.

It did not take long for former Altoona High School standout Nichole Beckel to make her mark on the Mansfield University Cross Country program.

In just her first collegiate meet, Beckel led the Mountaineer women to a first place finish at the five school Brockport Kick-Off Classic on Saturday.

Beckel placed fourth with a time of 19:43.90, just two seconds shy of third place.

Right behind her,



Colleen Rider climbs a at the Brockport Kick-Off Classic to help the Mounties to a first place win. Rider is a senior this year for Mansfield and will provide leadership on a young but talented team. She finished in sixth place overall.

sophomore Brianne Liddick (Elmira, NY/Southside) came in fifth with a time of 20:38.60. Coming in sixth was junior Colleen Rider with a time of 20:43.80.

Other top 20 finishers for Mansfield Women: 12th place, Kristen Clark. 20:52.90. 16th place: Catherine Delthorn, So., 21:23.50. 19th place: Kelly Maines So. 21:33.70.

Darren Meehan
co-Editor in Chief

When I was younger, I remember my father telling me about his youth and how he used to have drawers full of baseball cards and his mother gave them away when he said he was "too old" to collect them anymore.

As he told me this, I fished around with the cards I had been collecting at the time without a care because it seemed like he was just trying to relive his youth.

I also wondered how he could have had cards from some of the greatest players of his era and just give them away to the neighbor kids when he got "too old" to collect them himself.

And then I started thinking about who I have seen in my day and who we have all had the opportunity to watch.

In the past week most of us watched with breathless anticipation as Mark McGwire first tied Roger Maris' home run record and then the next night as he shattered it. And he's not even finished yet. He's not the greatest player to play the game, but he's gonna be legendary.

Another legend who's not finished is Jerry Rice. He is a cornerstone of the San Francisco 49ers team and is the undoubted godfather of that dynasty. And when he was paired with Joe Montana it was perhaps the greatest one-two punch in football history.

The best in basketball could be a tie between three men, but we've been able to watch all of them in their prime.

You can hail Michael Jordan, Larry Bird or Magic Johnson as the best of all time and you wouldn't be that far from the truth.

Hockey player Mario Lemieux has already been recognized as the best in his sport and we watched him achieve his greatness. Some might argue that Wayne Gretzky is the best and, while I'm not inclined to agree I appreciate the fact that we've all been able to enjoy his performances as well.

And I'm not even finished yet.

Martina Navratilova is easily the best tennis player to date and it's going to be a long time before anyone compares to her.

There are other sports and other sports legends from today whose accomplishments might never be met. Tiger Woods can crush a golf ball like Mike Tyson used to crush faces.

Then again, next year any of these records could be broken. It only takes one year to surpass someone as the best in a particular area and so in January we might watch as the Philadelphia Eagles win the Super Bowl after losing only their home opener against the Seattle Seahawks (and maybe when I'm finished here I'm going to run a three minute mile).

After thinking about everything I've watched in sports in my lifetime, and I haven't really scratched the surface, I came to one realization: If I'd have listened to my father I'd still have some valuable cards instead of giving them away because I felt I was "too old" for them any more.

Halstead assumes Mansfield presidency

by Darren A. Meehan
co-editor

As Mansfield University's new president and his family sat in the kitchen of their new home the day they moved in, they were greeted by their first visitor. From their kitchen, the Halstead's watched a black bear cross their property and make its way past them with little regard for Dr. John Halstead, his wife Kathy, their daughter Christine or Baxter, the family's golden retriever.

Soon, others in the community extended their welcome to the new family and helped make them feel at home.

"People welcoming us has meant a lot to the Halstead family," he said.

And while the Halstead's continue the process of acclimating themselves to their new community, Dr. Halstead has already started getting in touch with his students.

During the first weekend of the semester, as freshmen and most other on-campus students moved back into their dormitories, the Halstead's joined other student organizations as "Mountie Movers".

"We were lugging things up; it was not just a ceremonial thing," he said.

Although the "Mountie Movers" was not ceremonial, Halstead has also attended several formal occasions. He appeared at the annual convocation wearing clothing he hasn't worn since

his days at Colgate University where he is a fraternity brother with Phi Delta Theta.

Halstead addressed the audience wearing the same beanie he wore on his head when he was a freshman and held the first book he bought as a freshman.

"I did it to say that we need to regear our thinking and our frames of reference because our landmarks are different from their landmarks," he said, citing the assassination of John F. Kennedy as a landmark of his and many other baby boomers lives with which they can identify.

Halstead also intends to bring the focus of repair at Mansfield University back to academics and looks forward to the future of MU.

"It's a terrific academic community," he said. It's time we turned our attention to academic facilities," he said. "We're looking at an overall plan."

Although officials figures are not available yet, MU experienced an increase of about 8% in enrollment as Halstead assumes his position replacing retired president Rod Kelchner.

"We'll be pushing 3,000 students; our goal is 3,500 in the next few years," he said. "We've exceeded our targets however you cut it."

He denies any insinuations that the university "dumbed down" its standards for this incoming class in exchange for enrollment increases and he speaks with optimism about the incoming fresh-



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Dr. John Halstead poses for a picture with his family. To his left is his wife Kathy and to his right is his daughter Christine. The family dog, Baxter, was unable to make the photo shoot.



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Dr. John Halstead assumes the Mansfield University presidency in the wake of president Rod Kelchner's retirement. This is Halstead's first university presidency.

Calender

Friday, Sept. 11

8 pm - MAC movie at the HUT.

Saturday, Sept. 12

1 pm - Field Hockey at home vs. SUNY-Brockport.

1 pm - Football at home vs. Westminster College.

Cross Country away at SUNY-

Oswego.

8 pm - MAC movie at the HUT.

Sunday, Sept. 13

12 pm - Field Hockey at home vs. Bentley College.

Tuesday, Sept. 15

Last day to submit "incomplete"

grades.

1 pm - New Student Seminar at Allen Lecture Hall.

4 pm - Field Hockey away at Marywood College.

6 pm - New Student Seminar at Allen Lecture Hall.

Wednesday, Sept. 16

8 pm - MAC open mike night at the HUT.

Thursday, Sept. 17

1 pm - New Student Seminar at Allen Lecture Hall.

Northern Appalachian storytelling Festival.

been well accepted by the community.

"The transition has been very positive," he said. "I even threatened to make her a full time fund raiser."

He said that she enjoyed the art and sporting camps she attended this summer.

"She got to see terrific role models in our coaches," he said.

His wife, Kathy, also spent the summer learning the town.

"She meets to plan campus events but she is a very dedicated mother of a 13 year old," he said. "She's a volleyball mom."

In between trips to volleyball practice and meetings she aids Halstead in his work.

"We are very much partners in this," he said. "We are approaching this as a family endeavor. We're part of the life of this community and she loves university life; that's our life."

In the near future, the Halsteads will be visible in the community at many events. For starters, they will lead the annual 1890's Weekend parade during the weekend of September 25 and 26 while entertaining relatives coming as far away as Chicago and Michigan for the festival.

"We are honored to be the Grand Marshalls for the 1890s parade," he said. "And contrary to student opinion, I was not around in the 1890s so I don't have coattails or anything."

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General education requirements under review *Academic affairs committee contemplates changes*

by Josh Cusatis
news editor

On September 1, the Academic Affairs Committee released its latest revision of the proposed changes to Mansfield University's general education requirements.

Dr. Howard Iseri, chairperson of the AAC, said that this latest draft is a continuation of a proposal that started last year.

"The provost drew up something last year to get things started," Iseri said. "The campus has been reviewing this since the beginning of last fall."

Dr. Joseph Moore, MU provost, said that, at the earliest, these changes will not be implemented until the fall semester of the year 2000.

"There is a lot of planning that has to be done," Moore said. "We don't plan on being able to use any of these changes until the fall of 2000."

Among other changes, the addition of "T-courses" is suggested.

"These are courses that work with information technology," Moore said. "We've invested a lot in different technologies all over campus. These courses are going to be similar to W-courses. A technical committee will make sure a course meets certain criteria to become a T-course. These will be courses that use technology to gather information so that students are capable of doing so."

Another change is that the General Electives section has been revised.

"We now have a 6th block in the distribution of electives," Moore

said. "The general electives haven't been omitted - just changed."

A "Core Sequence" is also in the plans.

"These will be a group of courses that are planned out for the student's freshman and sophomore years," Moore said. "It will not be so much mandatory that students take these courses according to the plan but that's the way that we would choose they do so."

Iseri said that it has been hard to come to a finalized proposal that could be passed.

"This issue has been quite hotly debated," Iseri said. "Everybody has their own ideas about what has to be included. It's not easy to come up with something that will please everybody. It's really hard to define when this proposal will be done

and we can move to the next step. But as far as the AAC is concerned, we have a very solid general form to work with."

Iseri said that there are still a couple points that are being debated.

"The structure of the 'Language and World Cultures' block is still not sure," Iseri said. "Some people have a problem that ENG 313 is no longer included and the new UNV 100 class is still being discussed."

The new UNV 100 class is going to be required in the freshman year of all students.

"This is a university seminar class," Moore said. "It's going to be culturally based like humanities. There is going to be a lot of reading and writing required for the class."

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Tempers flare over religious preachers in South Hall Mall



photo by Darren A. Meehan

Students in South Hall Mall listened to an unnamed religious advocate. Many of the hundreds who gathered jeered the husband/ wife team during their two day visit.

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

Students passing through South Hall Mall this week experienced impromptu lessons in freedom of speech as religious activists created and addressed arguments about religion.

A husband and wife team, who wished to remain anonymous, arrived Tuesday and read Bible passages and answered questions from interested students as well as those who disagreed with them. The pair returned yesterday for another round of preaching. A.J. Vorhees, sophomore, felt the entire spectacle was misguided.

"She's a loony," he said. "Anyone who's that hypocritical in her beliefs is vane. Bottom line: Anyone who's into

anything that much has issues; there's bigger things to deal with."

Adrianna Blash, junior and board member of Kappa Phi, cautioned listeners against thinking any of the religious organizations on campus were responsible for the speakers.

"This woman is not associated with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Campus Crusade for Christ, Kappa Phi or the United Campus Ministries," she said. "Although we do agree with some things, we don't agree with everything she's preaching."

Many students appeared angered at the pair, who separated themselves from one another and guided different conversations in the courtyard between South Hall and Manser Dining

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Film and lecture series focuses on Chopin's "Awakening"

Jennifer Johnston
staff reporter

A Mansfield University professor defended the work of controversial 19th century novelist Kate Chopin in the opening lecture of the University's 1998 Faculty Senate Lecture series.

Dr. Bernard Koloski, English professor and Chopin scholar, discussed recent criticism of Chopin's themes involving sex, race and ethnicity in her book *The Awakening*. About 60 people filled the North Dining Hall venue for the lecture.

Dr. Koloski's presentation focused on comparing current reactions to the book and the reactions in the 1890s, when the book was first published.

Koloski talked about critics' reactions, and he gave a plot summary for those unfamiliar with the book.

The Awakening is the story of Edna Pontellier, a woman married to a Creole, who, throughout the book, goes through many changes, falls in love, has sex with a man she doesn't love, and eventually kills herself abandoning two children and a husband.

When this book first came out in the 1890s it caused scandal. Many critics who had given Kate Chopin good criticisms on her previous work had a different reaction to *The Awakening* - they no longer embraced her.

In the 1890s critics called this novel "An essentially vulgar story" (*Literature*), "unwholesome in its influence" (*The Congregationalist*), "a morbid

book" (*St. Louis Daily Globe-Democrat*), and another book in "the overworked field of sex fiction" (*Chicago Times-Herald*).

In the late 1960s *The Awakening* was revived again, and it created an explosion for the women of this time.

"For them it was a piercing insight into American women's literary past," Koloski said.

The Awakening became very popular during the decade of civil rights, war protest and women's "liberation."

"Kate Chopin joined that elite group of other nineteenth-century American writers whose books were mostly dismissed in their own times and then

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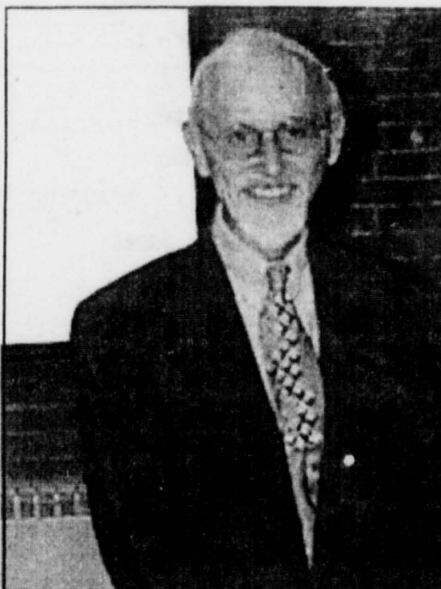


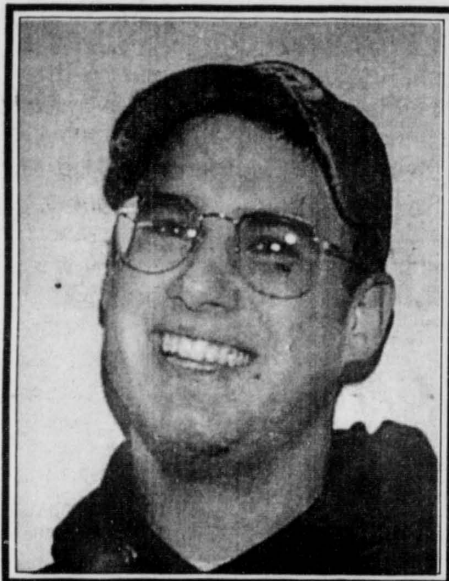
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MU English professor Bernie Koloski

Campus Voices

"What did you think of the Ken Starr report?"

by Darren A. Meehan and Brent McCallus



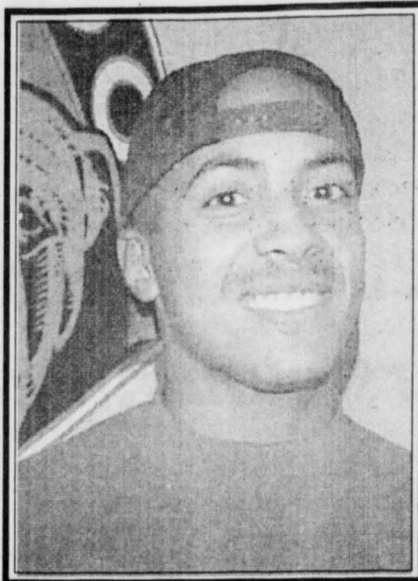
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"Nonsense Just nonsense."



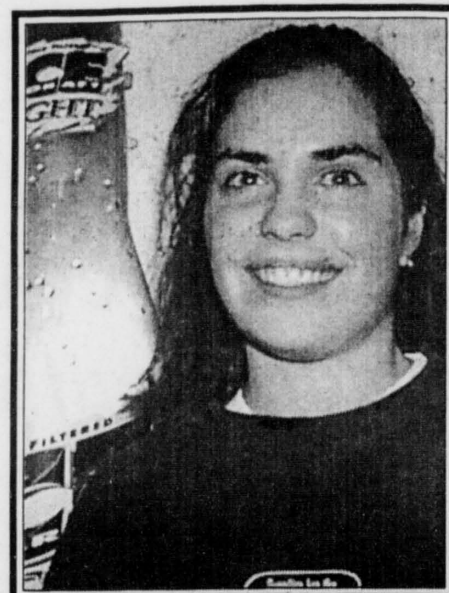
Tracy Strupp
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"It is creating a distraction from more pressing matters in the world."



Bart Gonzalez
Senior

"The report sucked. If my wife looked like Hillary Clinton I would take oral sex from just about anyone too."



Amanda Leiby
Freshman

"His private life wasn't our business until he lied about it. If he lied about this he could lie about anything."



photo by Darren Meehan

Mansfield University President John Halstead and Sigma Tau Gamma President Adrian Dumchus joined others in the MU community to plant a tree in memory of Carmen Schicchitano, a ETT brother who died suddenly one year earlier.

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ENG 090 and MA 090:

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Course	Credits
UNV 100	3
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Core Sequence:

	Fresh. Fall	Fresh. Spring	Sop. Fall	Sop.
Spring				
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IV. Mathematics - Must complete at least 6 credits.

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The Starr Report

Selected excerpts from the controversial findings of Ken Starr

The following is the first part of our coverage. This week's excerpts describe some of the sexual relations between the president and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

Physical evidence conclusively establishes that the President and Ms. Lewinsky had a sexual relationship.

...Ms. Lewinsky turned over a navy blue dress that she said she had worn during a sexual encounter with the President on February 28, 1997.

According to Ms. Lewinsky, she noticed stains on the garment the next time she took it from her closet. From their location, she surmised that the stains were the President's semen.

Initial tests revealed that the stains are in fact semen. Based on that result, the OIC asked the President for a blood sample.

According to the more sensitive RFLP test, the genetic markers on the semen, which match the President's DNA, are characteristic of one out of

7.87 trillion Caucasians.

According to Ms. Lewinsky, she and the President had ten sexual encounters, eight while she worked at the White House and two thereafter.

The sexual encounters generally occurred in or near the private study off the Oval Office — most often in the windowless hallway outside the study.

During many of their sexual encounters, the President stood leaning against the doorway of the bathroom across from the study, which, he told Ms. Lewinsky, eased his sore back.

Ms. Lewinsky testified that her physical relationship with the President included oral sex but not sexual intercourse.

According to Ms. Lewinsky, she performed oral sex on the President;

he never performed oral sex on her. Initially, according to Ms. Lewinsky, the President would not let her perform oral sex to completion. In Ms. Lewinsky's understanding, his refusal was related to "trust and not knowing me well enough."

During their last two sexual encounters, both in 1997, he did ejaculate.

In the President's view, "any person, reasonable person" would recognize that oral sex performed on the deponent falls outside the definition.

Next week: perjury

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Hall. Logan Newman, senior, questioned both speakers about their definition of a higher power. He felt their speeches lacked individuality and failed to address other religions besides Christianity.

"I don't agree that their way is the only way," he said. "He doesn't answer questions; it's like they can't think for themselves."

While students disagreed with the speakers, many were impressed with the way students handled it. Renee McCaffery, sophomore, found the student reaction appropriate and immediate.

"What I love is that people came here with their Bibles right back in her face," she said.

Administrators walking by also helped themselves to an eyeful of the spectacle as they passed through South Hall mall. President John Halstead briefly watched as

he passed by the scene. He respected the freedom of expression the preachers and students took advantage of but also disagreed with their message.

"It's an expression of their freedom of speech but I don't agree with the views being espoused," he said. "It's more the dogmatic way in which it's being said."

Dr. Halstead viewed the situation as an opportunity for students to grow.

"It's part of the learning environment here," he said. "I like to keep my mind open to hear different perspectives."

Mike LeMasters, director of residence life, thought the preachers brought unity to the students.

"It's nice to see a lot of people around," he said. "There's nothing wrong with an honest exchange of ideas."

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revived long after their deaths, "Koloski said, comparing Chopin's position to authors like Walt Whitman, Herman Melville, and Emily Dickinson.

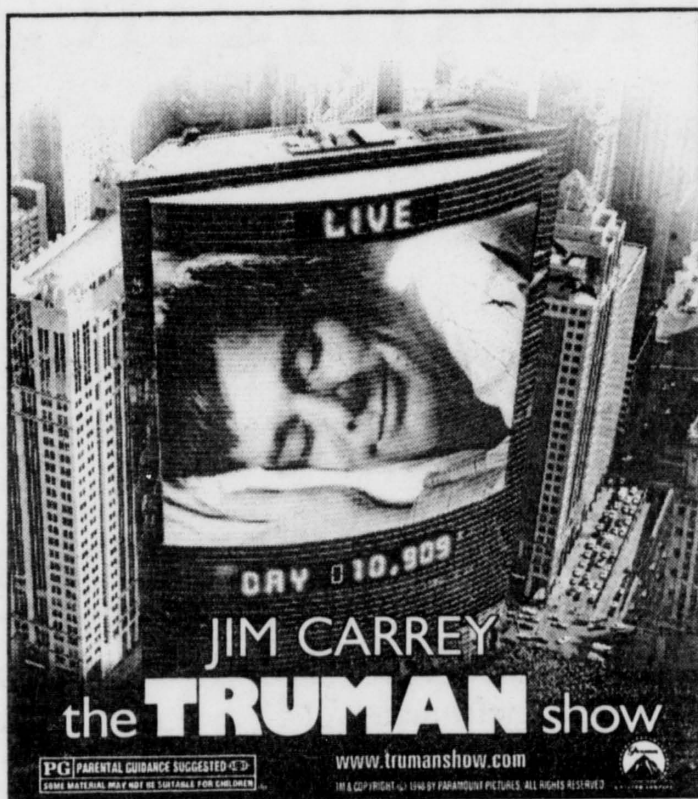
Critics now seem to have come full circle in their opinions of Kate Chopin and her novel *The Awakening*. People have many of the same reactions to her novel, as did people a hundred years ago. There are also opinions dealing with race and culture, that weren't prevalent in the 1890s. For

example, critics see Chopin as racist and they think that it is a major theme in many of her works.

Koloski believes that some of the arguments made about *The Awakening* may be valid, however he had a counter-argument for each one. For example, Koloski doesn't see Chopin as racist. Koloski said "She describes the racial situation as she has found it."

The next lecture will be Wednesday, September 23 and the scheduled topic will be Pennsylvania's Underground Railroad.

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Music Education:

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Solar System News Review

Misfired Ukrainian rocket recovered

MOSCOW (AP) — Fragments of a Ukrainian rocket booster were found Tuesday in a remote stretch of southern Siberia, five days after it misfired while carrying 12 U.S. commercial satellites aloft, a news agency reported.

Authorities in the Altai republic, about 1,850 miles east of Moscow, said the fragments were found at the junction of three Russian republics — Altai, Tuva and Khakassiya, according to ITAR-Tass.

Search teams had been looking for four days for some trace of the Zenit-2 booster, which was launched by Russia's space agency last Thursday from the Baikonur cosmodrome, which Russia rents in the former Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

The rocket's control system failed in its fifth minute of flight, shutting down the engines. The Ukrainian manufacturer acknowledged it might be responsible, saying it was probably a computer malfunction.

Fragments of both the rocket and the 12 Globalstar satellites were believed to have fallen to Earth. The report about the fragments did not say whether parts of the satellites were found as well.

The satellites were built by Space Systems Loral, a subsidiary of Loral Space and Communications Ltd. of New York. They were going to be used as part of a \$2.6 billion global hand-held mobile satellite phone system, company spokesman David Benton said after the crash.

North Korean launch was really a satellite

WASHINGTON (AP) — The object launched by North Korea two weeks ago was "a very small satellite" and not a missile as initially believed, but the military implications for North Korea's neighbors, nevertheless, are potentially serious, the State Department says.

Whether the test was a satellite or a missile has been the subject of controversy ever since it was sent aloft on Aug. 31, passing over Japan before splashing down in the Pacific.

North Korea said it was a satellite, and South Korean Foreign Minister Hong Soo-young agreed. But the country's defense minister, Chun Yong-taek, maintained it was a missile.

The State Department initially was in the missile camp but spokesman James P. Rubin said Monday it was a satellite.

"We have concluded that North Korea did attempt to orbit a very small satellite," he said. "We also have concluded the satellite failed to achieve orbit."

But Rubin said the military implications are similar whether the test involved a missile or a satellite. He said the United States regards the test as "a threat to U.S. allies, friends and forces in the region."

"The North Koreans have demonstrated in this launch a capability to deliver a weapons payload against surface targets at increasing ranges, confirming the inherent capability to threaten its neighbors," said Rubin.

The test has increased tensions between Japan and North Korea and was a reminder of Japan's vulnerability to attack. It has drawn renewed calls for a missile defense system in Japan.

After Japan criticized the test, North

"We have concluded that North Korea did attempt to orbit a very small satellite."

James P. Rubin
State Department Spokesman

Korea demanded an apology, accusing the Japanese of slander. It said there is "no reason why only a few particular countries can launch artificial satellites in an effort to use space for peaceful purposes."

Gen. Kim Yong Chun, chief of the North Korean military's general staff,

Jupiterian rings actually result of cosmic debris

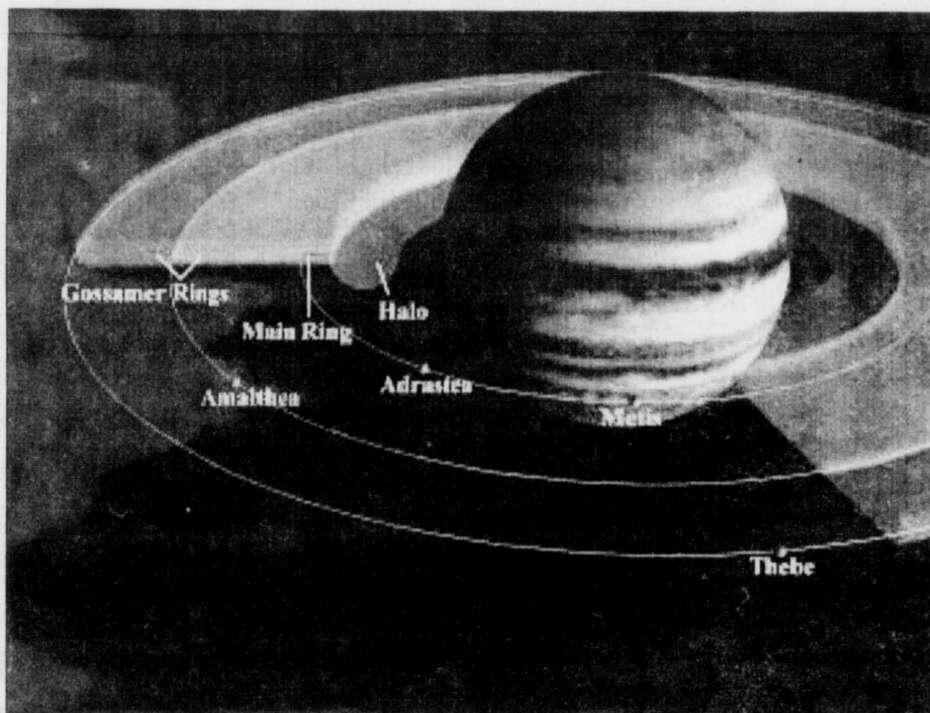


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The rings of Jupiter are actually from clouds of dust, say Californian Scientists

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Why, it's just space dust.

The faint rings around Jupiter come from clouds of dust that are the result of cosmic debris battering Jupiter's small moons, according to data from the Galileo spacecraft.

The rings — which are nearly invisible to even the best telescopes — clearly show their relation to the orbits of four small inner moons, scientists said Tuesday.

"Pictures are the smoking gun that allow us to say this theory works," said Joseph Burns, the Cornell University astronomy professor who arrived at the explanation for the rings.

It was long thought that the only ringed planet was Saturn, with its prominent, icy bands, but the Voyager spacecraft revealed in 1979 that Jupiter also was surrounded by rings.

A more detailed look by the unmanned Galileo revealed the rings are more numerous and complex than thought.

Michael Belton, an astronomer with

the National Optical Astronomy Observatories in Tucson, Ariz., joined Burns and Cornell colleagues Joseph Veverka and Maureen Ockert-Bell to release the findings and images during a media teleconference from Cornell.

Dust grains and particles of comets and asteroids drawn by Jupiter's strong gravity stream toward its irregularly shaped moons at about 25 miles a second — 100 times the speed of a bullet, Veverka said.

They slam into the moons, creating explosive dust clouds that eventually turned into orbiting rings so tenuous that the stars shine right through them.

Because of Galileo, "we now have a definitive answer to the origin of this ring system and we now understand the processes which lead to their appearance," said Belton, leader of the Galileo imaging team. "It's a big step forward."

Galileo, launched in 1989, arrived at Jupiter in December 1995 and began a two-year tour of Jupiter and its four largest moons.

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American dream no longer child's play

Traditionally, this space is reserved for the attention of pressing issues on this campus. This week, we journey outside the university and examine our esteemed president.

It is the opinion of the Editorial Board that President Bill Clinton should be removed from office in light of recent evidence printed in the findings of the independent council.

For various reasons, his actions over the past few years are completely unacceptable. We are not prudish and we would be willing to overlook the infidelity if his wife has already forgiven him, but his dubious position right now compromises the very fabric of this land.

When Clinton travels abroad, he represents our country. How would it look for citizens of other countries to see a man whose entire sexual past has been laid out on the Internet.

We also understand that leaders of other countries have traditionally had more than one "partner", but our system has taken this to a point where it is no longer possible for the president to execute his role as Commander in Chief.

We didn't need to know about Monica Lewinsky.

We didn't WANT to know about her. Now that we do and we learn more about possible impeachable offenses it becomes necessary for the next step.

What is the next step?

Does he resign and receive pardon in light of the job he did before this mess?

Is impeachment the logical next step?

Whatever the decision, the solution is clear: this country cannot possibly move on until he leaves the White House.

Countless polls indicate that many Americans simply don't care at all about the scandal. A stable economy and a seemingly sound nation is all we require from our leader?

Shouldn't we care about what kind of a man he is? If that's the case, who will you tell your children they can become if they work hard and dedicate themselves to excellence?

We were raised that the greatest achievement for any boy or girl would be to become the president of these United States.

Perhaps it would be better if we discarded all that and told our children how words can be manipulated to serve any lie and how the best perk of being president is all the free cigars.

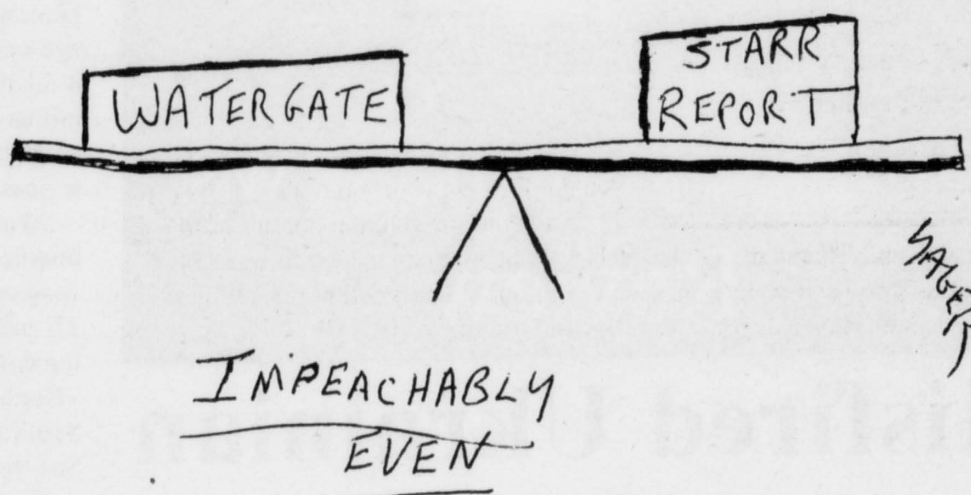
And yet, there is still a chance he is innocent. Our system tells us that everyone is innocent until proven guilty. He hasn't been proven guilty...yet.

What he is undeniably guilty of is lying in the past. First he denied any relationship with Gennifer Flowers. Then Paula Jones was a liar. And this year he emphatically denied any "relations" with Monica Lewinsky until he was forced to come forward and face the music.

And then yesterday the headlines read "Clinton: I told the 'essential truth'".

We don't accept the essential truth. If the president of Mansfield University found himself in a similar position, we would all call for his resignation. Why is the president of the U.S. any different. Do we hold him to a lower standard than those with whom we interact on a daily basis?

Well, if he really wants to face the music there is a fat lady standing outside the Oval Office waiting for her cue.



Commentary Policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the Flashlight office by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed. Submissions should include the writer's name, major, class, and telephone number.

Non Students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Flashlight is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization the letter must carry the writer's signature. Unsigned letters tell us that the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than one or two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300-400 words.

The Flashlight reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length and clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off in Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday or mailed to the above address.

Commentary

Figure skating and Schlitz await you in Hell

In the Name of the Darren, the Darren and the Holy Darren

by Darren A. Meehan
editor in chief

Tuesday and Thursday of this week, most of us stood and watched as two people insulted students. We applauded their guts in using their right to freedom of speech and every faculty member and administrator had the same response: It's just good that they're speaking their minds.

Well, whoopie-dee-do! While they were speaking their minds students were getting insulted and pissed.

But they have a right to preach what they want.

And so do I.

I believe every student should praise me.

I am the most "higher power" there is and everyone should follow me. And if you don't, you're not going to hell, you're going to a figure skating tournament where you must buy really warm Schlitz in a can for \$25.00.

When you return you'll listen.

Guaranteed.

I don't have any afterlife for you but I've got your "spirits".

And my religion doesn't have a heaven or anything to look forward to, but you should still follow me. Why? Because I said so, that's why.

My good book reads kind of like this:

On the first day, I attend classes and meetings. The second, third, and fourth days are much the same.

On the fifth day, I reward myself with a party... or two.

On the sixth day, I reward myself for making it through the fifth day by doing some sort of partying. I get spirits and goodies and celebrate.

On the seventh day, I rest just like their God but I usually watch football or something.

And sins of the flesh? In my religion there really is no such thing. The only sin of the flesh is crabs, and if you get 'em you deserve 'em.

And in my religion I'm not going to hang my son on a cross to make a

point. I'll make a video or something. I'll let you all know when it's finished.

And you'll be able to quote my Bible. I have some pretty good verses.

I have the one that says "Give a hoot; read a book". You can find it in Krusty 2:26.

Also look for "I give you all the fruit and plant bearing seeds to enjoy". It's in Darren 4:20.

There are a few sins that can be committed but not many. It's a sin to commit robbery. Come on, you don't want someone stealing off you, you can't do it to others.

It's also a sin to bother college students who are just trying to unwind after a tough week. In my religion, busting a quiet party to make some redundant point about alcohol abuse is a crime when the only is that those doing the busting aren't having any fun.

In case you don't understand my point, I'll make it clear.

This university seems to back psychopaths like the ones who were here this week telling students they were stu-

pid and going to hell but they attack the Flashlight or other student organizations when we try to make a point.

Granted, there have been times when my opinion in this column was scathing and they accepted it, but we've all seen episodes of faculty or administrators shutting a student's mouth before he or she could speak their peace.

If I stood out in South Hall Mall and said what I wanted but didn't hurt anybody they'd stop me if they didn't like what I was saying.

If Andres Serrano came to South Hall Mall and performed his version of art, would it be accepted? Would this school watch as he urinated in a jar that had a crucifix in it? I doubt it.

But it's his freedom. It's what he has to say and his message.

How about the performance artist who smears himself with animal intestines and bodily excretions? I have two to one odds that they'd be removed faster than cops could bust up a house party.

Clinton faces "daunting" foreign policy challenges

by Laura Myers
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton faces some of the most daunting foreign policy challenges of his presidency, and foreign affairs professionals worry that his fight to avoid impeachment is reducing U.S. influence overseas.

Two former national security advisers say it would be dangerous to lose focus on brewing crises — from global economic turmoil and instability in Russia to nuclear and missile proliferation in Asia and fighting in Kosovo. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is defying U.N. weapons inspectors again, too, despite past threats of U.S. military action.

"I think this is going to be the most difficult fall since the fall of 1993," said Anthony Lake, who as national security adviser helped Clinton manage U.S. policy in Bosnia, Haiti and Somalia when they were volatile.

Today's "extremely difficult problems will become all the more dangerous" if people assume Clinton is weakened by problems caused by his affair with Monica Lewinsky, Lake said.

And President Bush's security adviser, Gen. Brent Scowcroft, had this advice for Clinton: "I would be doing everything I could to try to reassure people that there are no gaps in our attention, that we are able to act, that there is no paralysis."

Scowcroft added: "There's bound to be a significant foreign policy cost to (the Clinton crisis) because the president, after all, is a human being. He can't give the kind of attention to foreign policy that is necessary."

But Secretary of State Madeleine Albright insisted: "We are occupied more than 24 hours a day with absolutely no distractions." She and the rest of Clinton's foreign policy team, including Defense Secretary William Cohen and national security adviser Sandy Berger, met with the president Saturday to talk about world affairs.

Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, in a report to Congress released Friday, alleged 11 grounds for impeaching Clinton, including perjuring himself and obstructing justice by concealing his affair with Ms. Lewinsky. The White House, in two separate rebuttals, said nothing in Clinton's actions warrants impeachment.

Some members of Congress, mostly Republicans, want a Clinton resignation. On Sunday, Rep. Tom

DeLay of Texas, the GOP's third-ranking House Republican, said the president Clinton appears to have cost himself the right to world leadership.

"We as a nation have to look within ourselves and answer the question: 'Has Bill Clinton disqualified himself to lead this country and the world?'" DeLay said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Even while traveling abroad, Clinton has to field questions about his affair with the former intern, a relationship he initially denied. His first apology for it came during a photo opportunity in Dublin, Ireland.

Rep. David Bonior of Michigan, DeLay's House counterpart with the Democrats, said Sunday on NBC that Americans understand "despite his personal behavior, that the president is the most respected world

"There's bound to be a significant foreign policy cost to (the Clinton crisis) because the president, after all, is a human being."

— Gen. Brent Scowcroft

leader today."

The White House dismisses any talk of lost focus on foreign policy and points to Clinton's triumphant trip to Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic in early September and his speech next Monday to the U.N. General Assembly.

"He has helped set the U.N. agenda regarding arms control, proliferation and terrorism, and we can expect him to sound a similar call for action," said P.J. Crowley, a National Security Council spokesman.

He said the Ireland trip "was just the latest example where, as is always the case, the world looks to the United States and the president for leadership."

Clinton launched missiles against alleged terrorist targets in Afghanistan and Sudan last month in retaliation for the bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, which killed more than 250 people, including 12 Americans.

Still, signs of political damage are appearing around the globe.

"A weakened presidency, its energy to deal with global issues sapped, is bad news for the world,"

Singapore's Straits Times newspaper said in an editorial. The Washington correspondent of the Italian daily La Repubblica wrote: "Even if Clinton survives, his presidency is already dead."

People in France are having a hard time taking a political sex scandal seriously, but the daily Le Monde said: "The Clinton affair creates a climate of crisis in the world."

And in the Middle East, Clinton's troubles are feared as another stumbling block to sealing a long-awaited deal for Israel to turn over more West Bank land to Palestinian control. "Instead of making clear policy decisions, ... everyone's second-guessing what will happen to Clinton," said former Palestinian Cabinet minister Hanan Ashrawi.

Ex-security adviser Lake said Congress and Clinton are equally obliged to set aside any impeachment battle to concentrate on overseas crises.

"A Washington that is self-absorbed," Lake said, "is a Washington that is less likely to take risks either for peace or against terrorism or despots."

What it takes to
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A terrible warning from heaven for us all

by Matt Noldy
himself

(The following warning to society was found in my roommate's car last Saturday night. It speaks of impending war and destruction for the people of America as well as a Communist revolt in Europe. There is no claimer- or disclaimer for that matter, found on the small folded pamphlet. So please let me assure you that the point of view contained in the pamphlet is no way endorsed or believed by the Flashlight or Mansfield University. If anyone reading this knows of any information regarding this pamphlet could you please call 662- 4986 and leave a message for Irwin Addison.)

"TERRIBLE WARNING FROM HEAVEN:

There will be a great worldwide famine soon; a season of perpetual frost and cold. Nothing will grow. The Virgin Mary, through her prophets, is telling us

that God will send mankind a Great Punishment before the end of this 20th century because the great sins of mankind have pierced the vaults of heaven. God is going to devastate the earth, rearranging its face and scattering its inhabitants. The earth will wither.

She tells us all this. Your country has never known death and destruction on a large scale. It will be so no more. You shall be given the sword America. New York city will be destroyed by a nuclear weapon. There will be a monetary crash in America. An absolute crash. A series of natural disasters will strike America. God is going to destroy America because of its abortions. Melting polar ice will flood the coastal cities around the world. Volcanos will pop up in North America and in Europe. Earthquakes will send Japanese islands to the bottom of the sea. A great war will begin in the Mid East. WW3, a nuclear war, will begin. There will be a communist revolution at the Vatican. The pope will flee Rome. Soon after the pope

flees, a great explosion will shake your house. Close your windows, draw your shades. Remain indoors. Go outside and you will die.

On Jan. 31, 1999 a comet will strike the earth and 3/4 of mankind will die. Store canned food, water and blankets in water-tight drums, and candles. Mary tells us: Your time has run out, My children. Your time has run out."

It is hard to get a grasp of the broad scope of destruction that is forecast for us in this pamphlet. It reads more like a manifesto. The more I looked over the pamphlet while I was thinking of this piece, the more I kept finding my way back to one idea: There are people that think like this all over the world. And that thought alone is scary than any apocalyptic description of our waiting demise. And by the off chance that this warning I have shared with you is true...? Consider yourself lucky because now you can make your plans accordingly for the few years we have left.

Adam and Eve went up the hill...

by Josh Cusatis
the evil tide

OK. I too have got something to say about the religious preachers that we had in our presence this past week.

I'm going to prefix my little rant by saying that I have no religious affiliation. I don't even believe in the word "agnostic" because that implies some sort of religious connotation. Now, that said. Let's move on.

I found it quite amusing that we had a woman telling all of us that we're sinners. I'm not being sexist or even attempting to. Follow me on this.

In the Christian religions, which I believe this woman was a member of one of them, the accepted "creation myth" is Genesis. In the story of Genesis, man and woman (Adam and Eve) are cast out of Eden or Paradise. Let's explore this for a second.

Why were Adam and Eve cast out of Eden? Eve was tempted by the serpent and ate the forbidden fruit. After she did so, she convinced Adam to eat the fruit as well. For this they were cast out of Eden. Who's fault was it? Eve's.

In addition to this, what was the punishment that mankind received for

giving in to their temptations?

Before I answer that, I probably need to give a little background. Every "creation myth," no matter what tradition it comes from, follows a definite archetype. There is only one archetype for "creation myths" and it never changes. A couple elements of this archetype are: mankind is in Paradise, mankind falls to temptation, mankind is banished from Paradise, and finally, mankind receives its punishment.

With that information, I am prepared to answer my question: What was the punishment that mankind received for giving in to their temptations? The pain of childbirth!

Now, let's look at that for awhile. Who does this really affect? Women! Plain and simple - pure and true. Women! Where's the down side for men? There is none!

Whether its conscious or not, the Christian religions are practicing the subjugation of women. Now don't get all in a huff over that statement if you are devoutly of the Christian religions. I realize the time that we live in and things are not all that bad. But they aren't as good as they could be.

Now, back to our religious activists. I find it amusing that a woman - a member of those who are directly re-

sponsible for the "original sin" - is telling us that we are all sinners and that she is perfect. Tell me that's not a laugh and I'll tell you that you're lying to me.

"Mary, you're nearly a treat. Mary, you're nearly a treat but you're really a cry."

I'm not done yet. There is one other point that I do have to make that isn't intertwined with my argument but is about the same subject.

Someone (I don't remember who), once told me that at least 90% of Christians are not good Christians. I don't know how accurate that figure is but I believe it to be close.

Why is this true? Too many people believe that all they have to do to be a good Christian is pray, read the Bible, and go to mass on Sundays. This isn't true. They're missing one of the most important points. And that is to preach the word of God. They have their opinion and, above all, I believe in Freedom of Speech. That's why I'm also able to write this little response. I do feel that people preaching the word of God don't have to be as belligerent as what happened this week (the husband would at least talk to you) but they are doing what they are supposed to be doing.

So, I spoke my mind.

Thanks.

Late June

by Gene Yager
geno da brute

4:15 pm, mid december

When the smoke finally cleared, he flipped open his authentic WWII Zippo and scorched a Marlboro to life. It had all begun so simply, and now the complications were sure to bring questions. Questions of where and why and who and when.

3:22 am, late june

Ninety six degrees at three in the morning in Los Angeles is never a good place to be. Standing under an overpass, he planned his next move. The briefcase was still there. He knew that much.

9:19 am, early april

36-24-36. She was perfect. Standing in the morning sun. He just couldn't see her face. He tried as hard as he could but he couldn't see her face. Only the long fade to look forward to now. Red powder regrets and a room full of silence.

1:46 am, late september

Jazz so loud he could hardly hear himself think. Every once in a while, he had to remind himself that it would all return to normal once the experiments had concluded.

Drunken camel driving charges thrown out in Australia

associated press

COOBER PEDY, Australia (AP) - A man charged with drunken camel driving had one charge thrown out of court Wednesday on the grounds that he had no way of controlling the beast, drunk or sober.

Ricky Wilson Hall, 36, of Alice Springs was originally charged with two counts of driving a camel while under the influence of alcohol, as well as assaulting a police officer, resisting police and using offensive language.

guage.

In Coober Pedy Magistrates Court, defense lawyer Pat Amey asked Chief Magistrate Alan Moss to dismiss one of the drunk driving charges against Hall on the grounds that Hall had no rein or nose peg to control the camel.

Moss ruled Wednesday that Hall did not have control, regardless of whether he was drunk or sober, when he jumped onto a young camel.

The magistrate said he had no reason to believe that Hall was anything but a "hopeful passenger" while he was on the camel's back and holding on by

the fur of its hump.

After dismissing the charge, he determined that Hall did have a case to answer in the other three charges.

Hall pleaded guilty to the charge of offensive language.

The prosecution alleged earlier this week that Hall was driving a wagon pulled by camels outside the remote town of Oodnadatta in September 1997 when Sgt. Garry Griffiths observed he was drunk and warned him not to operate the camel team.

It was alleged Hall ignored the warning and when later warned a sec-

ond time, he assaulted the police officer.

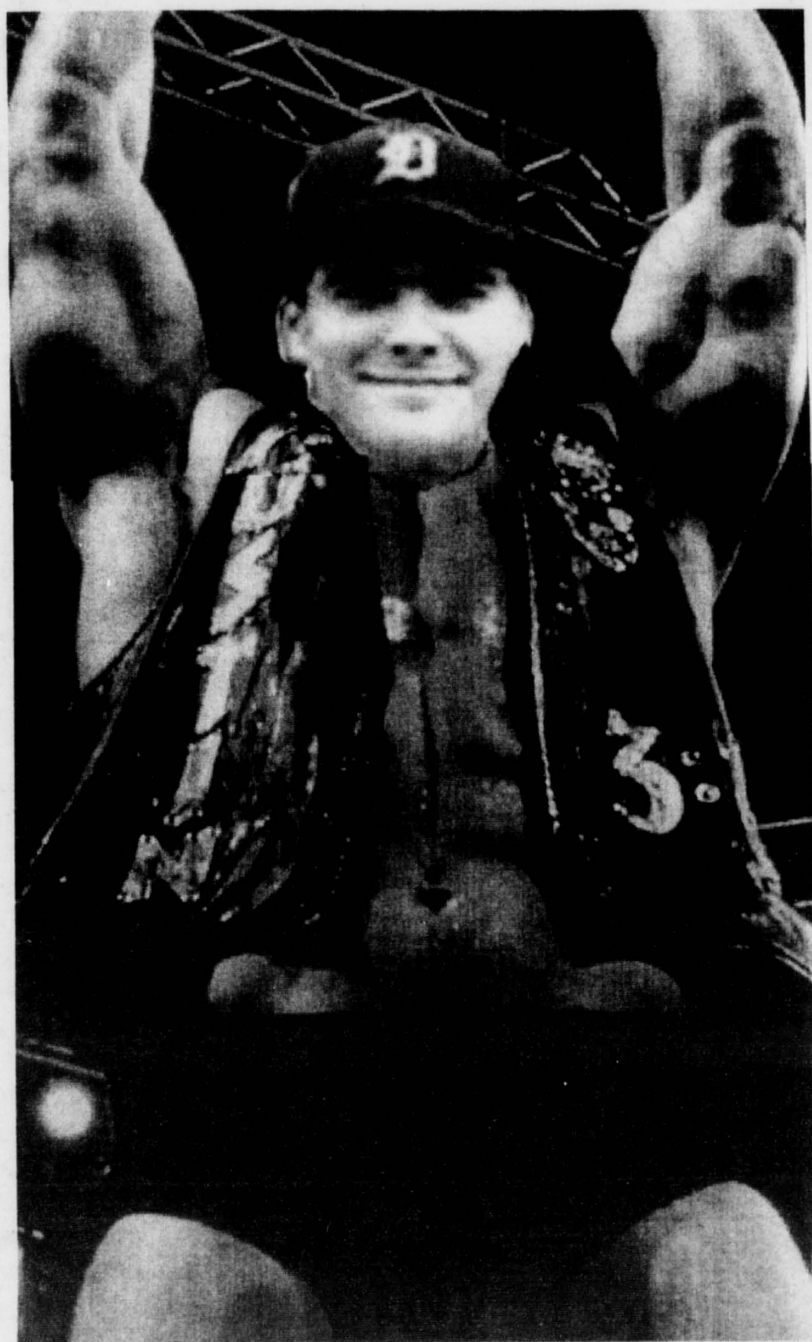
The court was told Hall then untied a young camel from the wagon and tried to ride off, but the camel returned to the older ones at the wagon.

Hall then leaped "John Wayne style" onto the back of one of the other camels and tried to ride off shouting "Yahoo!"

Hall testified Wednesday that he did not jump "John Wayne" style onto the second camel.

He said he had had about five beers but was not affected at all by alcohol.

Comics und Fun: Who's got the "Doritos?"



Scissor Warm Darren A. (as in babba-booeey) Meehan celebrates after his crushing victory over the iMac computer system. Says Meehan, "It's just too bad I didn't have the gumption to go professional. DAM 4:20."

by Phil Flickinger (lexcartoon@yahoo.com)



LEX

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Since no one responded to LEX last week, you now have the opportunity to enjoy his hilarious antics for another week.

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SportsTalk

"If he's ahead or I'm ahead I would not have one complaint, not one iota. It's been an unbelievable year and that's the way I look at it."

-Mark McGuire on his homer race with Sammy Sosa



MU gridders drop 2nd straight game



Nate Davis

Davis helps lead MU offensive attack

Senior Nate Davis has become a huge part of the Mountaineer offensive attack. He is also a co-captain of this year's Mountaineer football squad.

Davis, an ex Marine, started out his football career at Wellsboro High School as a guard and defensive end.

Davis does not do a lot of running for Mansfield with just two runs in two games for just a single yard.

He does most of his damage through the air. Davis has accounted for 142 of Mansfield's 498 passing yards in the first two games the Mounties have played.

Davis is ranked number one on the team in catches (12) and yards gained.

Tight end Bob Woodward and senior wide receiver Pete Herchik have six catches apiece.

Davis is also ranked in the PSAC in 12th place for both catches and total yards.

Davis's job is not just to block for Brannon and catch the ball out of the backfield. He is also a key player on Mansfield's special teams.

Davis has been both a longsnapper and one of the special teams leading tacklers on the punt and kickoff coverage teams.

Davis was named to the all-PSAC team last year and was an Academic All-American.

The 6'1" 210 pound fullback is a Business Administration major and a native of Wellsboro.

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

Missed opportunities and five interceptions spelled doom for the Mansfield University football team in a 42-11 setback to Westminster College in their home opener Saturday afternoon.

Westminster would jump on the scoreboard first capping off a 10-play, 66-yard drive on a one-yard run by Denny Flora.

The Mountaineers came right back on a 11-play 78 yard drive that ended on the Westminster 11-yard line when Tom O'Donnell's 29-yard field goal attempt was blocked.

"For the most part, we were able to move the football against Westminster, but we have got to score when we get in the redzone," Viadella said. "We need to be able to run the ball better than we have in the first two games to take some pressure off of our quarterback."

It would be the Mountaineers turn to get a break on the next drive when former Elmira Notre Dame standout John Maio recovered a fumble by Westminster's Denny Flora at the MU 20-yard line.

The Mountaineers were unable to move the football, but got it back after Flora fumbled again at the Westminster and was recovered by Wyalusing's Matt Hanley at the Westchester 34.

Seven plays later

Mansfield runners do well at Invite

special to the Flashlight

Todd Stewart and Nichole Beckel keep tearing up the courses for the Mountie Cross Country team.

Both placed near the top of the field at the Pat Peterson Cross Country Invitational last Saturday afternoon.

Sophomore and Hornell resident Todd Stewart ran the 5-mile course at SUNY-Oswego in 27:36, which was good enough for fifth place out of 161 finishers at the Invitational.

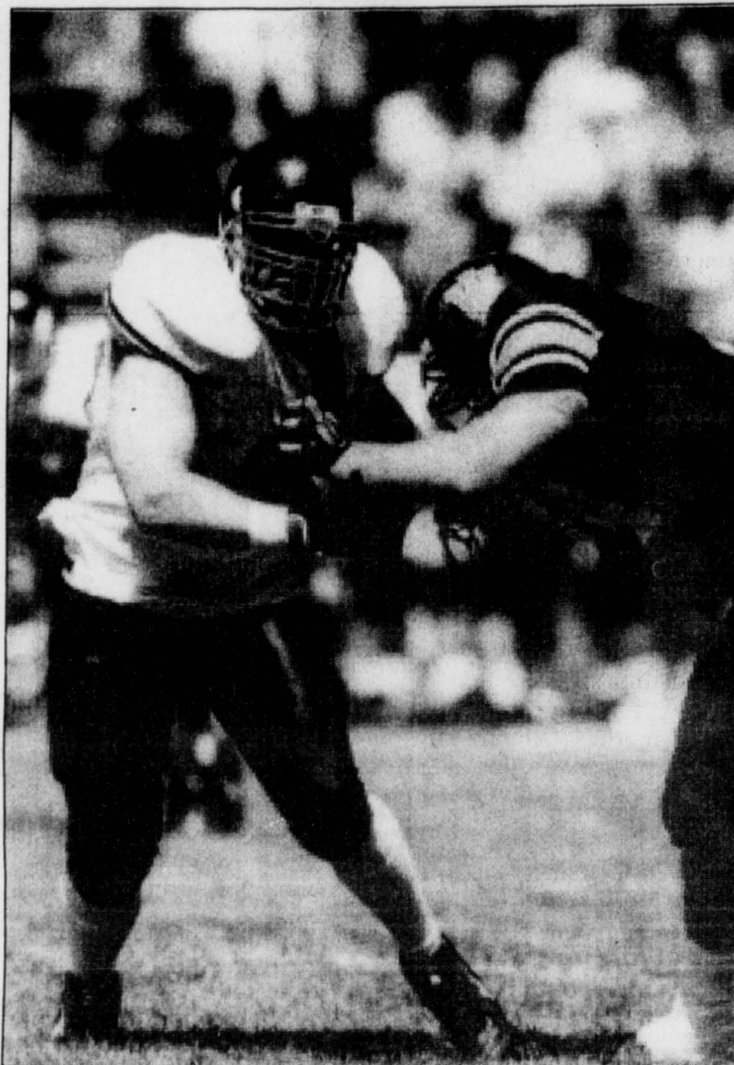


photo by Thad Woodward

Pat Ginther, a senior defensive end and co-captain of this year's Mountie football team, slides across the face of his blocker to make a tackle.

O'Donnell would connect on a 24-yard field goal to cut the score to 6-3.

Two series later, another Flora fumble gave the Mountaineers the ball at the Westminster 21-yard line. Mansfield moved the ball to the Westminster's two yardline, but a fake field goal attempt pass from holder Ray Fishburn was intercepted in the endzone.

Westminster would score on a 25-yard run by Matt

Dvorsak with :35 seconds to go in the first half to take a 12-6 lead.

A Lucas Smith "hail Mary" pass was intercepted on the next play and returned 54 yards by Adam Jones to the Mansfield seven yardline. Bryan Althaus kicked a 19-yard field goal for the Titans as time expired for a 15-3 halftime lead.

Smith would pass for 216-yards but was intercepted four times.

Westminster would add another touchdown on a two-yard pass from James Graham to Kurt Gaebel just 1:27 into the third quarter. They scored again late in the quarter on a 15-yard pass on a halfback

option from Joe Ciavarra to Joe Ruck.

The Mountaineers would pull to within 22-11 early in the fourth quarter when Smith capped off a 70-yard drive with a one-yard plunge.

However Ciavarra would score twice more for Westminster, the final on an 35-yard run with no time remaining in the game.

The Mountaineers next game will be away at the Ithaca Blue Bombers. Ithaca clobbered St. John Fisher last week 48-0.

The Bombers signal caller, Mike O'Donovan, had an outstanding day going 13-16 with 173 yards and three touchdowns. O'Donovan had a multitude of targets in Matt Buddenhagen and Abe Ceesay at wideout. He also had a triplet of talented runningbacks Nick Dibble, Ryan Carpenter, and Eric Amorese.

The Mounties could use some help on defense as they have suffered a number of key injuries. They have also struggled against the run.

Fortunately for Mansfield, The Titan offensive line could be the biggest chink in their armor.

The Mounties are sixth in the PSAC in total defense giving up an average of 283 yards per game on the ground. They give up 160 yards per game against the pass.

Last year, Ithaca racked up 400 total yards on offense to beat the Mounties 21-14.

"We're still young and prone to make mistakes that young teams do, but I think we're learning," Viadella said. "Each game we played some part of our team improves. We just need all those parts to come together in one game."

MLB SportsLine

Seattle	8	Chicago	4
Oakland	0	San Diego	3 10th
Boston	3	Atlanta	1
Baltimore	2 10th	Arizona	0
Yankees	4	NL Wild Card	
Tampa Bay	0	Chicago	87 67 -
Anaheim	6	NY Mets	86 68 1
Texas	7	San Fran	81 71 5

Mountie hockey drops last 2 games

Offense stalls against Bentley and Marywood Colleges as Mountaineers fall to 1-2

special to the Flashlight

A day after tearing up the field and offering an offensive scoring clinic in their home opener, the Mountaineer field hockey team's offense went cold when they lost a non-conference game to Bentley College, 3-0 last Saturday.

They also lost their next game, a 1-0 defensive battle, to Marywood College.

Bentley (2-2) kept the Mountaineers' defense on its heels the entire afternoon striking for their first goal at the 8:10 mark of the first half.

It proved to be the only score Bentley would need to pick up the second win of their season at the Mountaineers expense.

In the second half, the Mansfield had trouble trying to find an answer for the Falcons' offensive scoring threat Lia Pezzola.

Pezzola scored both Bentley goals in the second half, the first at the 13:22 mark, and the second score at 7:16.

Mountaineer goalie Jen Manton played well despite

allowing the three goals against her.

Manton made 13 saves against Bentley.

Caroline Cahill made seven saves in goal for the Mounties and Jennifer Gates had a save as well.

Bentley outshot Mansfield 27-16 and had 13 penalty corners to the Mounties three.

The Mountaineers offensive woes continued on Wednesday when they dropped a 1-0 decision to Marywood College. The loss was the second of their season and the second consecutive one for new coach Diane Monkiewicz.

Manton continued her solid play by turning away 13 more shots on goal. The Mountaineers could only make nine shot attempts through the entire game.

Marywood's keeper, Adrienne Powloski, only had to make three saves on the contest to shut the Mountaineers down on offense.

The Mounties nearly matched Marywood in penalty corners with 10 to the opposition's 12.

The Mounties will



photo provided

Sophomores Misty Drasher (10) and Christine Nugent (24) ready to a Bentley scoring threat in last week's game.

travel to Philadelphia Textile this Saturday and finish up their

weekend at York College on Sunday.

Stewart named to PSAC honors

Sophomore Todd Stewart, of Hornell, was named the PSAC male cross country runner of the week.

The honor was released on Tuesday from the Conference office in Lock Haven.

Stewart took the top honors at the Brockport Kick-off Classic during the first week of the season gaining an individual first place.

He also ran well at the Pat Peterson Cross Country Invitational on Saturday afternoon. He ran the five mile course at SUNY-Oswego in 27:36, which was good enough for fifth place out of 161 runners.

Stewart was named the PSAC Rookie of the year last season in his freshman year at Mansfield University.

Mansfield grad signs with Red Sox

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

Mansfield graduate Chris Zallie can collect his own baseball cards now.

Zallie, one of the best pitchers to ever come out of the Mansfield baseball program signed a contract with the Boston Red Sox on June 15.

He found out in one of the most cherished and time honored shrines of baseball, Wrigley Field. He was watching the Cubs when he decided to call home and tell his father where he was.

"In the third or fourth inning, I decided to give my dad a call to tell him I was at Wrigley Field and he could eat his heart out," said Zallie in an interview with his hometown paper the Souderton Independent.

That is when his father told him the Red Sox had called and wanted to sign him to a contract.

Zallie had a phenomenal season with the Mounties last year. He led the team in both wins and strikeouts.

He was named to the All PSAC East team, the All-ECAC team and the All-North Atlantic Regional teams.

Zallie has not always enjoyed the success that he has right now. Despite facing an uphill battle during high school, Zallie received a baseball scholarship to Rutgers.

Rutgers and Zallie did not make a very good match so he transferred to Mansfield for his sophomore year.

He struggled at Mansfield at first and was relegated to pitching in relief. He received all-conference honors that year as a reliever.

The southpaw fireballer registered a nation high 14 strikeouts per nine innings last season for the Mountaineers.

Zallie worked last summer with the Quakertown Blazers and then signed a contract with the Kalamazoo Kodiaks.

He played alongside

Mountaineer teammate Scot Wilcox with the Kodiaks.

After he was not drafted in June, Zallie signed on with the Lowell Spinners who play in the Short Season Class A New York Penn League.

Zallie had a rough start in his first two games for the Spinners and ended up serving bullpen duty.

As a testament to his work ethic and talent, Zallie worked his way back into the starting line up and became one of the Spinners best hurlers.

"I have only learned recently that baseball is a tough game," Zallie said. "It's not just a past time. You can't have feel-

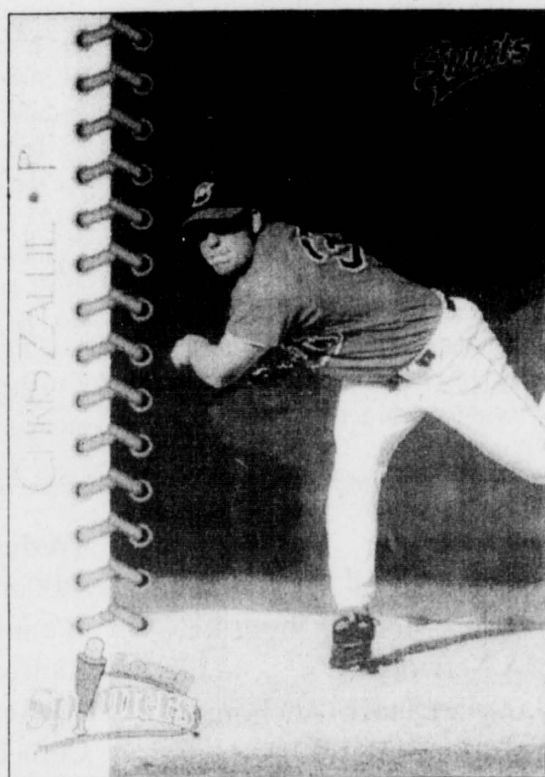
ings you can't let your emotions get the best of you."

In 20 appearances for the Spinners, Zallie has totaled a 3-2 record.

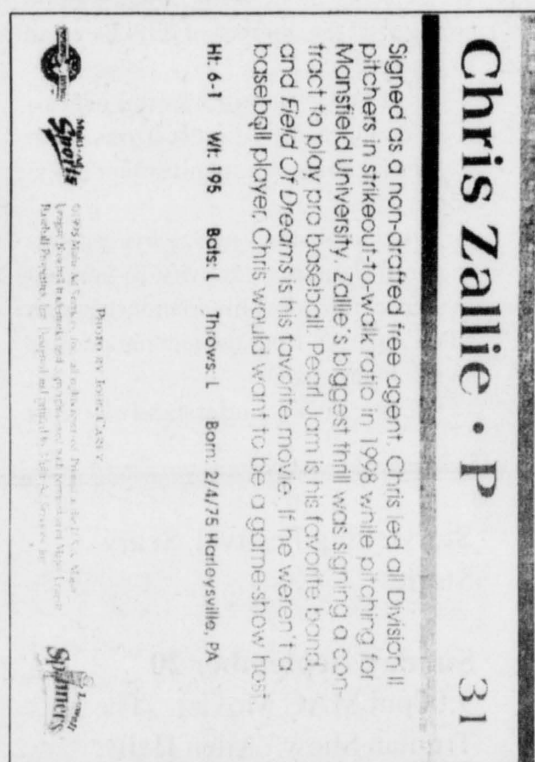
He has a 4.01 ERA. In 49 innings pitched he has struck out 67 batters and given up 24 walks.

At the end of his season with the Spinners, Zallie was sent to Battle Creek, Michigan of the Midwest League for the playoffs where he appeared in one game.

"I don't throw MPH, but they say you don't need to do that to be successful," Zallie said. "I'm not going to stop here."



Chris Zallie has his own baseball card as a hurler on the Lowell Spinners Class A pitching staff. Zallie, a Mansfield graduate and former Mountaineer pitching standout, is looking forward to a career with the Red Sox.



Kristen Dunton

Freshman leads field hockey offense

Sophomore Kristin Dunton has scored a goal and has two assists in the Mountaineers first three games of the season for the Mountaineers.

She is now the points leader on the Mountie squad with four points.

Dunton, a freshman from Connetquot High School, is an elementary education major.

Dunton, a forward, was an All-Division, All-County and All State field hockey player at Connetquot High.

She also holds the records there for most goals scored in a year and for the most goals in her career.

Special Report

The Investigation of the President

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's lawyers were preparing a new, point-by-point rebuttal to Kenneth Starr's report today, trying to answer a case that has already gone to the jury of the American people. The prosecutor's report lays out a tale of sex regarding Monica Lewinsky so lurid that several lawmakers called it disgusting.

The White House argued that a sexual affair is not enough to end a presidency. But there are allegations of a cover-up as well.

"I think you cannot render ... any judgment until you have given the president a chance to respond and given the judiciary committee a chance to do its job," House Speaker Newt Gingrich said today in Atlanta. Lawmakers this weekend were home campaigning and sampling public opinion — in their congressional districts.

Since the Lewinsky scandal broke in January, Clinton's popularity has remained high. But a poll taken a few hours after the House voted overwhelmingly to release Starr's report concluded that a growing number of Americans say the president should be impeached if he encouraged Lewinsky to lie about their relationship.

An ABC News poll taken Friday evening says 57 percent think he should be impeached if he encouraged Lewinsky to lie about their relationship — an increase of 14 points on that question since Aug. 21 and 6 percentage points since Wednesday. The poll placed the president's job approval rating at 56 percent, about where it was just before the report's release.

Rep. Henry Hyde, the Illinois Repub-



President Clinton explains his testimony to Democratic supporters Thursday

lican who will lead the House Judiciary Committee's impeachment review, called the release of Starr's report "the beginning of a long climb up a steep mountain."

"None of us look forward to it," he added.

Clinton promised a vigorous defense against impeachment. Before Starr's report even came out, his lawyer fired off a rebuttal to the prosecutor's listing of 11 possible impeachable offenses ranging from lying under oath to obstructing justice. The president's lawyers and White House aids worked through the night to produce a more detailed rebuttal to Starr's 445-page report.

Americans interviewed Friday continued to reflect a division of opinion on Clinton's actions.

"We have a man who's supposed to represent the United States of America, and he's scum," said James Williams, 23, of Crandall, Texas.

"Let him run the country," Steve McGinnis, 42, said in a Lincoln, Neb., bar. "I think he's doing a wonderful job.

He made a mistake."

For Clinton lawyer David Kendall, "The amount of lurid, graphic detail here far exceeds any legitimate justification."

An affair, Kendall said, "is not a high crime or misdemeanor."

Gingrich, guessing "this will be the most widely disseminated government report in history," justified its release as an extension of American democracy.

"It's terrible that its about this kind of topic," Gingrich said. "But it is a good thing that the American people can fully participate in seeing exactly the same information that their members of Congress are seeing."

The report graphically describes Lewinsky's version of 10 sexual encounters, including using a cigar as a sexual prop, phone sex sessions and even oral sex performed while Clinton spoke on the phone with members of Congress.

Starr himself apologized in the report for its lengthy and explicit details of the encounters between the former intern and the president. But Starr contended it was necessary to prove.

Congress considers its options

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was the most humiliating day of Bill Clinton's presidency.

The stained blue dress. Telephone sex. Oval Office intimacies. All that and more, spelled out in lurid detail in a report alleging 11 grounds for impeaching the president, including perjury and obstruction of justice.

After nine months of intense investigation, Clinton's future now rests with an anxious Congress facing re-election in just 54 days. Lawmakers have not confronted the explosive idea of presidential impeachment in 24 years — indeed, it has arisen only twice in history — and there is no certain roadmap for them to follow. The most likely scenario calls for public hearings next year.

The most immediate test will come Monday when lawmakers return to town after a weekend of talking with constituents back home. The White House will be watching closely to see if prominent Democrats follow the lead of Sens. Joseph Lieberman and Daniel Patrick Moynihan to denounce Clinton's conduct.

"These are not issues that Congress has ever had to face before," said Columbia University historian Alan Brinkley. I'm sure that not any member of Congress is eager to discuss them." He said that throughout the nation's presidential history, "I can't think of a day that would be more personally humiliating than this salacious description of these tawdry acts."

For all the talk since January, the report adds graphic descriptions that may make Americans recoil and question Starr's aggressiveness. Starr argues the detail was necessary because Clinton had denied having an affair.

Dr. Debra English, a doctor at a health clinic in Warrenton, Ga., read the report on the Internet and was disturbed by the release of the seamy details.

"I just hate to see the presidency laughed at like this, made a joke of," said English, a Republican who thinks Clinton should resign. "But it's pretty disgusting. We already know he had sex, he admitted it, but you don't have to have this picture in your mind. ..."

Polls show Americans thought all along that Clinton had an affair.

Starr report alleges 11 impeachable acts committed by President Clinton



Clinton returns to Washington to answer questions about his involvement with intern Lewinsky

The report by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr alleged 11 acts by President Clinton that "may constitute grounds for an impeachment":

— Clinton lied under oath in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case about his

sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

— Lied under oath to the grand jury about his sexual relationship with Lewinsky.

— Lied under oath during the Jones deposition when he stated he could not recall being alone with Lewinsky and minimized the number of gifts they had exchanged.

— Lied under oath in his civil deposition concerning conversations with Lewinsky about her involvement in the Jones case.

— Tried to obstruct justice by "engaging in a pattern of activity to conceal evidence" regarding his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky from the judicial process in the Jones case.

— Came to an understanding with

Lewinsky that they would lie under oath in the Jones case about their relationship and tried to obstruct justice by suggesting that Lewinsky file an affidavit so that "she would not be deposed, she would not contradict his testimony and he could attempt to avoid questions about Ms. Lewinsky at the deposition."

— Tried to obstruct justice by helping Lewinsky obtain a job in New York at a time when she would have been a witness against him were she to tell the truth.

— Lied under oath in describing his conversation with Vernon Jordan about Lewinsky.

— Tried to obstruct justice by attempting to influence the testimony of his Oval Office secretary, Betty Currie.

— Tried to obstruct justice by refusing

Calender

Friday, September 18

7:00pm Straughn Auditorium: Storytelling Festival begins

Saturday, September 19

7:00pm Straughn Auditorium: Storytelling Festival
9:00pm MAC Movie: "The Truman Show" Allen Hall
10:00pm Straughn Auditorium:

Storytelling Festival, Scary Stories

Sunday, September 20

9:00pm MAC Movie: "The Truman Show" Allen Hall

Monday, September 21

4:00pm Flashlight Shock Therapy: 217 Memorial

5:00pm Dinner

9:00pm SGA in 204 Memorial
9:00pm "Monday Night Raw" USA Network
10:00pm Dinner (Anchorage, Alaska)

Tuesday, September 22

1:00pm Nothing. Absolutely Nothing

Wednesday, September 23

4:00pm Presentation: "Pennsylvania's Underground Railroad" North Dining Room
10:00pm "South Park" on Comedy Central

Thursday, September 24

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1890's Weekend gets set to entertain

compiled from press releases by
Gene Yager
co-editor

Parents visiting Mansfield for Parents Weekend Sept. 25-26 will have one of the region's most unique celebrations to look forward to — The Fabulous 1890's Weekend in Smythe Park.

According to Dennis Miller, MU director of public relations and cochair of the event, 1890's weekend revolves around the fact that the world's first night football game was played in

Mansfield on September 28, 1892.

Included in the weekend's festivities will be crafts, food, music, soccer games, an old time tent tabernacle service, dance and balloon glow.

"The weekend truly is bigger than ever," Miller said. "This year, for the first time, the entire Smythe park will be full."

The weekend also features several other highlights.

The Motorless Parade: They didn't have many motorized vehicles in the 1890's and they are absent in this parade packed with 19th century costumes, tons of horses, magnificent car-

riages and marching bands.

Balloon Rally: Experience the breathtaking beauty of graceful balloons floating over the rolling Pennsylvania mountains.

Westward Ho!: The wild west was still wild in the 1890's and the Tioga Valley Saddle Club adds some western flavor with cowboys, dance hall girls, a saloon, and a variety of other activities.

Family Entertainment: Strolling banjo players, bands, games, and other family oriented entertainment create a leisurely, fun day.

Childrens area: Laurel

Health System sponsors this popular spot to give parents time alone.

Professor Marvel: One of the colorful mainstays of the weekend, Dr. Marvel brings an all new show.

Famous Reenactment: Alpha Chi Rho members have the only team in the world that can accurately recreate football of the 1890's. It's rugged, fast-paced, and often humorous. It was called the "killer sport".

Fireworks: Commemorating Mansfield's role in American history, the 1890's fireworks have gained a reputation for their grandeur.

For an events calendar, call 662-4844

The story of Jackie Torrence

by Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

The storyteller believes everyone has a story worth being told. This past weekend in Mansfield the art of the storyteller was displayed as it has been for the past 17 years through the Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival. This year, however, those organizing, performing at, and attending the festival found a story behind the bright lights of the stage; a story unfolding behind the scenes which demonstrated the bond between the storytellers themselves.

When the NASF booked Jackie Torrence, a well known storyteller not only at the Mansfield festival but worldwide, more than a year ago they never planned that at the last minute she would be forced to pull out due to respiratory problems which would place her in the hospital.

"Jackie has been here eight times and has had a lot to do with how we do our festival," said Dr. Vernon Lapps, art director of the festival, and communications professor at Mansfield University. "She got us to do the Ghost Stories, which we hold on Friday night of the festival and also the workshops and classes we now hold."

Lapps said when he tried to contact Torrence a few months before the festival he was told she had been hospitalized and had no medical insurance or consistent income to cover her bills. Lapps said the gap in the festivals schedule caused concern that organizers would not be able to find a storyteller that would measure up to



Professor Marvel will be among the cast of characters blowing into town for 1890's weekend

Torrence's caliber. That is when David Holt, world renowned storyteller, offered his services for free, donating his salary to Torrence to pay for the \$4400 a day hospital charges.

"That sort of dedication to another friend is just like David," Lapps said as he introduced the storyteller Saturday night.

"What I'm doing is just taking her [Torrence's] salary and giving it back to her," Holt said. "If I can do that to help her that is the goal."

Besides being well known for his storytelling Holt, originally from Garland, Texas and later Pacific Palisades, California, is a Grammy Award winner well known for his frequent quest appearances on Hee Haw, Nashville Now, The Grand Ole Opry, as well as for his hosting of several specials which appeared on The Nashville Network.

Currently Holt is the host of RIVERWALK: Classic Jazz From the Landing For Public Radio International.

Holt slide the NASF date into his schedule at the last minute, placing it between a personal vacation in the Caribbean and a storytelling date in South Carolina. In order to show their thanks for Holt's generosity organizers of the event presented him with a drawing by local artist, Leanna Ripple.

The drawing of a man sitting on an antique chair playing a violin seemed to stir the storyteller in Holt prompting him to ask the artist who the man was.

"It's my father," she told him.

The NASF is not the only date Holt has been willing to fit into his

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A story from the festival

by Christina Draper
staff reporter

Laura Simms has had the gift since she was young. She has the ability to see premonitions in her dreams. She sees ghosts too.

Simms enthralled the audience during Mansfield University's 18th annual Appalachian Storytelling Festival last Friday as part of the ever-popular Ghost Story Show. For those who did not attend the 10:30 p.m. performance, the Flashlight offers this paraphrased version of one of Simms' tales.

• According to Simms:

The latest encounter with the "other side" took place at Manatu Lodge in Northern California a few weeks ago. Simms and two friends were staying in an upscale lodge for a getaway weekend. Simms stayed on one side of the building, while her two friends stayed in an adjacent wing. The ghost adventure began with loud footsteps and manly voices.

"We heard them last night," said the one. Simms asked, "Heard what?" "The ghosts. We heard them outside last night." Simms was shocked. "Ghosts? Why didn't you call me? I can talk to them. I can see ghosts." A similar occurrence happened the next night. The ghosts were loud and could not be ignored. Simms told her

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Mansfield Rec Center recieves national exposure

Josh Cusatis
news editor

This past summer, the Rodney C. Kelchner recreation center was featured with articles and photos in two national magazines.

Hugh Schintzius, Mansfield University Recreation Director, said that both of these magazines were printed during the summer of 1998 and that these publications had been considering articles on the building since it open in August of 1997.

"The Athletic Business pub-

lished their article in June of 1998 and the College Planning and Management published their's in July," Schintzius said. "They made the decision to run these articles themselves about half a year after the building was completed."

Schintzius said that these articles were written and published be-

cause of no work from MU.

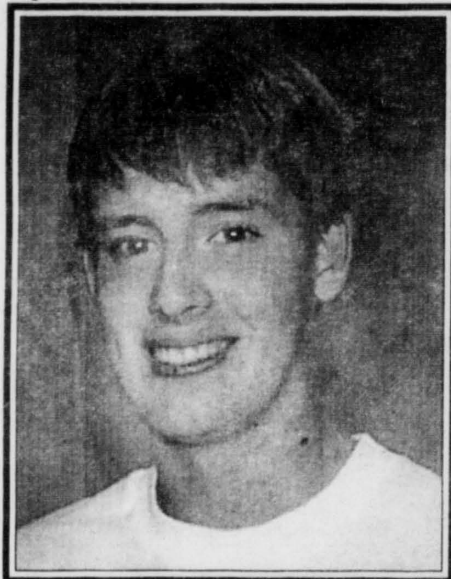
"The architect that designed the building had photos of it taken professionally last summer," Schintzius said. "he had these photos taken back

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Campus Voices

"Do you plan on attending 1890's weekend?"

by Brent McCallus



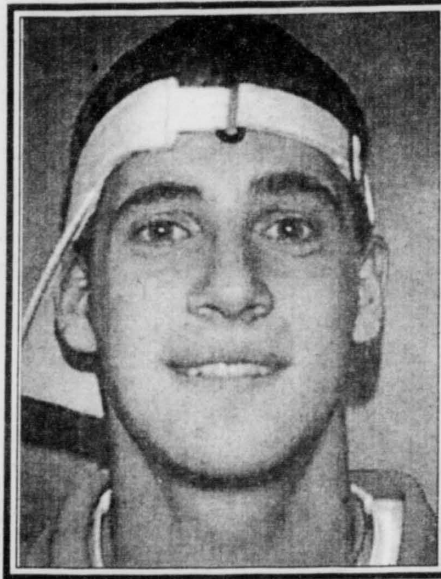
James Baker
Freshman

"No, because I need to go home and work."



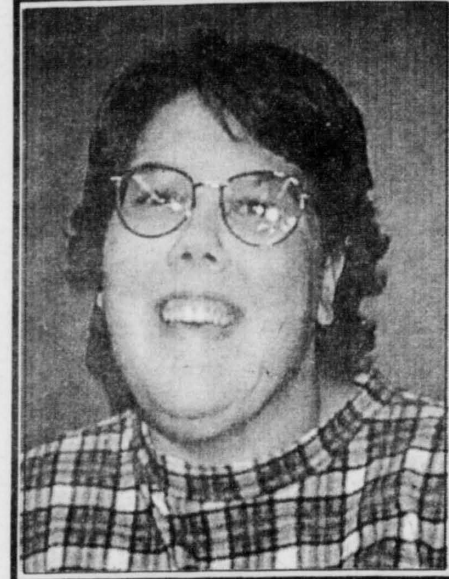
Ashke Litchfield
Freshman

"Yes, it is fun and interesting, and I like the fireworks and the football game."



Adam Trimbur
Freshman

"Yes, I'm new here and it's something to do."



Heidi Hook
Sophomore

"Yes, I have to pass out buttons for the psychology club."

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in August of 1997, just before it opened, and he sent them in to numerous different places that look at them. They decide to run stories about these buildings without contacting the organization involved."

The selection process is more in-depth than just that, Schintzius said.

"They have all sorts of different categories for different types of buildings," Schintzius said. "They look at buildings from these categories that have a special appeal and they make their selections based on that. It was completely based on architectural de-

sign."

Schintzius said that, even after these publications decided to due articles on the rec center, the university still had nothing to do with the articles.

"They didn't send any reporters," Schintzius said. "And they used the pictures that were sent to them. All they did do was contact the architect."

Schintzius said that these articles did not come as a surprise to him.

"It's a premier facility for a campus that only has 3000 students," Schintzius said. "It's eye catching and I really thought it would get national recognition before it was finished. I really think this is a special building."

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schedule for Torrence.

"Storytellers are a pretty close knit community," Holt said. "Whenever I have a break in my schedule I'll do it for her."

"Jackie is very kind and very generous person," Lapps said. "We all

feel very deeply with what is going on with Jackie. We're very happy if we can do anything to help her."

Holt said coming to the festival is something he loves to do and Jackie will be able to return in the years to come.

"I love to do it," Holt commented. "This is a nice festival and I know Jackie would love to be here if she could. I hope she will be next year."

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friends the following day to call her if the ghosts bothered them again. But that night, Simms would be the "victim." She had a dream that night, a dream so real that she was certain

someone was in her room. Two men were present, one beside her bed, the other crawling up her body until he finally reached her neck. Then Simms woke violently.

There was the man, standing bedside, the other man hovering over her, strangling her, saying, "What, you don't think we are real? Huh? Well does this convince you?"

Frightened, she closed her eyes and shook her head involuntarily. She opened her eyes again. The two men were gone.

Bolting out of her room, she stormed into her friends' wing, shouting, "I saw them! They were in my room!"

One friend asked, "Well, what did they want? Did you talk to them?"

"No! The one was trying to strangle me. I didn't really want to strike up a conversation."

Well, why don't we all stay together; that way, if they come back, we'll all be there to help."

Everyone agreed it was a good idea to stay together. The three friends huddled uncomfortably, staring at the ceiling. A few minutes passed, then someone broke the silence.

"I have to go to the bathroom."

"Well, get up and go," Simms said.

"No way. Not by myself."

"Well, how about we all go, that

way we won't be alone," one suggested. OK, but can we go back to my room?" Simms asked. "I have a bigger bed."

Back in Simms' room, the three friends lay sleepless for about an hour.

Then they all heard something at the window. Scratch. Scratch.

What the hell was that?" one of the friends cried out.

I don't know. Go check. I think it was coming from the window," Simms replied.

"No way. You go check, Miss 'I Talk to Ghosts,'" her friend said. Fine."

Simms got up and went to the window. There, she saw a little white kitten clinging to the sill, scratching at the window. Relieved, the three friends dozed off one-by-one, the little kitten taking turns sleeping at each one's feet.

The next morning, their adventure was behind them, the white kitten was nowhere to be found, and the three set about continuing their getaway weekend.

Simms went outside to talk to the groundskeeper about the mysterious happenings. He gave her an unexpected response.

"Yeah," the groundskeeper said. "We have these two ghosts that like to roam around this place. They have a little white kitten. They're harmless, though."

The preceding story was paraphrased from the performance by professional storyteller Laura Simms and is not meant to be considered a verbatim account.

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Lizards and pythons and tortoises, Oh my!

Reptileland owner Clyde Peeling brings wide variety of animal attractions to MU

Thomas A. Jones
Wire Editor

Clyde Peeling of Reptileland fame visited Mansfield University this past Thursday and introduced students to lizards, snakes and other assorted reptiles.

Peeling brought with him several species of reptiles that he showed the students. Among them were a tortoise, an American Alligator, and several snakes.

Before showing the full room a King Cobra snake, Peeling said, "What I think he's going to do is stand there and give me this profile and scare me."

Peeling added, "If I'm wrong, just use the door."

Peeling opened the box and the snake did hiss, but it stayed in the box. The cobra was one that Peeling had on the Tonight show one night, and Jay Leno was too close to the snake, and Peeling had to move him out of the way.

"I hope to introduce you to a class of reptiles," Peeling said. "The oldest reptiles are the turtles and tortoises."

Over their 200 million year history, the turtles have looked essentially the same, said Peeling. The reason is because they are so well put together.

"You end up with this tremen-

dous suit of armor," Peeling said. The external skeletal shell protects them from predators and the environment. As a general rule, the more armor a tortoise has, the more gentle they are.

Peeling then described how a tortoise once fell into the mouth of an alligator. Peeling thought the tortoise was done for.

"I would have liked to have gone in and taken him out of its mouth," Peeling said. He didn't because the alligator would have bitten it off.

Eventually, the alligator grew tired of chewing on the tortoise and released it. The shell of the animal had protected it even in the mouth of an alligator.

Peeling also mentioned that tortoises can go without water for months at a time. The shell, which allows the inside temperature to remain the same allows this.

"If you give water to your dog once a month, he won't be there the second time around," Peeling said.

Peeling next told the students. "If you find yourself in a jungle river sometime and have some question as to what crocodilian are around you, jump in."

Peeling said that Alligators will run away, but Crocodiles will not.

"The most successful reptiles in the world are lizards and snakes," Peel-



photo by Jonze

Clyde Peeling (far right) and five students hold a python during Peeling's lecture.

ing said. Unfortunately, they also leave very few bones behind after death, so very little is known about their history.

Only 2 lizards have venom, and Peeling said, "I don't know why they have it. They don't use it to kill their prey."

One of the poisonous lizards is the Gila monster. Their deadly reputation is not accurate though.

"In the last 125 years 8 people have died from Gila monsters," said Peeling. "98 percent of their lives are spent in burrows."

"Actually Gila monsters are very gentle," said Peeling.

Peeling then discussed snakes,

and their venom to the students, "If I were a snake, I would want to be venomous."

Because snakes can't chew their food, they need some way to expedite the process of digestion. Venom evolved from simple acidic saliva into a way to kill their prey.

"If you look down and see a snake biting you," said Peeling, "you won't say, 'Isn't that a marvelous adaption.'"

Snakes only have three ways of killing prey. They can swallow their prey whole and thereby suffocate them, they can constrict them, or snakes can kill or paralyze their prey with venom.

"Underground Railroad" passes through MU lecture series

By Kimberly Sapone
staff reporter

Mansfield University welcomed its second lecturer of the Fall Lecture Series with songs of slavery by the MU orchestra strings and members of the concert choir Thursday afternoon.

Dr. Nilgun A. Okur, associate professor in the department of African American Studies at Temple University, presented a lecture on the Underground Railroad system of Pennsylvania.

The Underground Railroad was a secretive series of underground passageways through which African Americans escaped slavery in the 1800s and early 1900s, aided by other blacks and white abolitionists. Many of these passageways ran through Pennsylvania, especially in Philadelphia, which was a major national and international center at that time.

Quakers in Pennsylvania were a major force in aiding slaves in their

escape from various southern states.

"There were some Quakers that were not very affectionate towards the slaves," Okur said. "By 1850, most Quakers had realized it was wrong."

Okur described a variety of citizens who became influential in helping the "fugitives" of the time. These included well-known people such as Harriet Tubman, who herself escaped in 1848 and made 19 trips through the underground railroad to set over 300 captives free. A lesser-known escape story was also told, that of Henry Brown, who ordered a box big enough to fit his size. Brown had the box nailed up and sent off to a friend. Okur said that when Brown arrived at his destination, he rose out of the box, said "How do you do, gentlemen," and sang a song of freedom.

The third lecture of the series is scheduled for October 7th in North Dining Hall at 4 pm. It will feature Robert Ellis Smith lecturing on "How To Protect What's Left Of Your Privacy."

SGA meeting focuses on filling several vacancies

Suzanne M. Yeager
staff reporter

This week's Student Government meeting focused on filling vacancies and adding vending machines throughout the campus.

Senators were informed that elections would be held Thursday, September 24 in Lower Manser. The elections were held for freshmen and transfer students who wished to fill vacancies from last years group.


Although the elections were held from 11 am to 2 pm, senators also made themselves available for student concerns during Question Time, which lasted from 10 am to 2 pm.

Scott Unruh was elected to fill one of the two upperclassmen vacancies during the meeting.

Senators also learned that, in a few weeks, they would be receiving red t-shirts to make spotting them easier for students to voice their concerns in an informal setting.

Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Maresco informed students that a new snack food vending machine would be added to Butler Center as well as machines dispensing bottled water throughout the campus.

SGA meetings are held every Monday night at 9 pm in 204 Memorial Hall. Students are encouraged to attend and voice any concerns pertinent to life as a student at Mansfield University.



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Where: Allen Hall Room 111	Where: Butler Room 102
Time: 12:30-1:30pm	Time: 12:15-1:00pm
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How: Submit a letter of interest, 2 letters of recommendation from faculty, a sample of your best creative writing (for example, a research paper, essay, speech, critical writing) and an up-to-date evaluation record to Dr. Richard Feil in South Hall 405 by October 9. Questions? Call 4773

Special Report

Controlling the cost of college

College students facing the daunting dilemma of rising costs and decreased aid

FAFSA

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FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, is one way many students manage to balance college costs. The FAFSA web site can be found at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

NEW YORK (AP) — College application season has begun in earnest for high school students around the country, many of whom will be touring campuses or tackling paperwork in the next few weeks.

The earlier the better — preferably in junior year — those involved in the process agree. But unless a student's family has gotten an early jump on financing — preferably in grammar school — it could be tough going the months ahead.

Higher education costs have been rising on average 5 percent a year. Today it costs around \$14,000 a year in tuition to attend a four-year private school, according to the College Board. With room and board and other expenses, the total annual tab tops \$21,000, it said.

"Most families who wait until the last minute end up shocked and dismayed when they find out they can't afford to send their child to the school (he or she) ... really wanted to attend," said Scott Middlesworth, a financial planner from Mooresville, N.C.

Some "wait until January or even later in their child's senior year of high school to start planning and by then it's too late," he noted in a recent newsletter from the National Center for Financial Education.

The consumer education group illustrates the advantages of planning ahead (and the power of interest compounding) in these scenarios:

Family A takes out a 10-year loan for \$40,000 at 9 percent interest during the child's college years. After 120 \$561

monthly payments, the original loan will have ballooned to \$67,000.

Family B invests \$180 a month at an average 11 percent return for 10 years, starting when the child is eight. They shell out \$23,000 total, but their initial investment grows to \$40,000.

While everyone agrees Family B deserves high marks in financial planning, many households can't make the grade due to other expenses, like buying a home or saving for retirement.

"It's a common problem. Families have to put their priorities in order," said Robert J. Klosterman, president of White Oaks Wealth Advisors Inc. in Minneapolis, and also president of the Institute of Certified Financial Planners.

Those with children nearing high school graduation with limited savings will have limited choices for paying for college. Most likely they'll have to rely on short-term, lower-yielding investments, like certificates of deposit and money market accounts, current income and financial aid, including student loans, grants and scholarships. Here again, the earlier they apply for aid the better since some schools have a Dec. 31 application deadline.

"There are such wide variations between aid packages among colleges that it would be worthwhile to apply to several schools," Klosterman said. "Of course, the so-called (academically or athletically) gifted child can negotiate a better package," effectively shaving off tuition costs.

There are countless scholarships awarded on any number of criteria, such as academics.

Credit Cards enticing students to certain economic disaster

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Emily Klepner's maxed out. So are a lot of her friends.

They've fallen into what a consumer group calls the "credit card trap."

U.S. Public Interest Research Group is warning college students about companies that entice them to fill out credit card applications by offering free T-shirts, soda and other gifts.

The group released a national survey Thursday that found students who get their credit cards from companies that solicit on campuses have more credit cards, and carry higher unpaid balances, than students who do not.

Klepner got her first credit card when she was a freshman. Although she had received plenty of warnings from her

Distribution of aid often uneven

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Anangell Murray's path from high school to the military took an unexpected detour when she received an offer of financial assistance from Lindsey Wilson College.

The private, liberal-arts school in Columbia offered her grants and work-study benefits that cover all but about \$2,000 of the school's \$13,160 in annual costs. Murray had signed preliminary papers to enlist in the Army, but the financial aid opened a door to college instead.

"I was blessed," said Murray, 18, a freshman who plans on a health-care career.

Lindsey Wilson is among several Kentucky colleges that frequently bestow such blessings on students who might not otherwise be able to attend college.

Other Kentucky schools — especially those regarded as academically superior — are less likely to enroll students in dire financial need.

The contrast is spelled out in U.S. Department of Education figures on financial-aid applicants who attended Kentucky colleges in 1996-97.

Bellarmino College in Louisville and Pikeville College stand at opposite extremes. A Courier-Journal analysis of the data shows that at Bellarmine, 3 percent of the students who applied for financial aid (and are still supported by their families) came from families with in-

"I was blessed,"

Murray, 18,
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comes under \$15,000; at Pikeville, the figure was 47 percent.

The figures offer a partial picture of the financial status of students at Kentucky's colleges and universities and reflect a national trend: Across the country, a growing proportion of financial aid for college goes to high-achieving students from well-off families, especially at academically elite schools.

The numbers were taken from federal financial-aid applications that most colleges require from students seeking federal, state or college-funded aid based on need.

older brother, who had to leave college because of high credit card debt, she reached her \$700 credit limit by the end of her freshman year.

Two years later, the 21-year-old Temple University junior is still maxed out. And because she's living off campus, needs money for books and living expenses, and has no savings, she's applying for another card.

"It's just easy money," said Klepner, estimating that half of her friends misuse their plastic.

Temple sees credit debt as a problem and does not allow credit card vendors on campus. The university also runs yearly seminars on credit debt and forbids student groups from receiving money from credit card companies.

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1890's Celebration chance for students

Mansfield University students will soon have the chance to discover and participate in a celebration of the past. This weekend, the annual "Fabulous 1890's Celebration" will be held in Smythe Park. Admission to this old-time party is free to students.

Instead of avoiding the celebration, and the integration of the campus and the college community it is a good idea for students to get involved in this weekend's activities. The celebration promises entertainment, food and song. All open to the students. This is a great opportunity for students to interact with the off-campus community, and for students to meet each other in a non-educational setting.

This interaction is a vital part of the college experience. The *Flashlight* recommends that students that enjoy this weekends activities continue to get involved and interact with their fellow students, as there are a plethora of clubs and organizations that need support.

Supporting campus clubs and organizations is a two-way street in which both the supporting student and the organization benefit. By attending meetings and putting time in, students can learn real life skills. Skills like communicating with others, or how to lead a group, or be a part of a team to accomplish goals are all skills that students learn as part of a campus organization. These skills are also ones that future employers will look at.

While learning in a classroom certainly has its merits, students will be more motivated to come to class prepared, or to discuss work with other students outside of class. It is this out-of-class interaction and informal learning that is an important part of the college experience. No education can be complete without this type of knowledge. The knowledge that students attain by completing goals they set for themselves, not that some professor with a \$150 textbook assigns for them. This self-motivation, and self-control required to independently complete projects makes a student well rounded, and better prepared to face a relatively uncertain economic future.

Students that are already involved have to understand one thing, the studies come first. No one will fault a student for working in several organizations and devoting time to all of them. However, students have to know their limitations. Sooner or later, the students may begin to suffer in a twisted example of the law of diminishing returns.

While being active in a few organizations will certainly help a student improve their academic standing, beyond a certain level of involvement, organizational meetings can start to cut in on things like classes, or getting enough sleep. However, students that are too active are not as common as those that could devote a little more of their time to honing their interpersonal skills in a campus club.

If you think you may be suffering from overactive involvement in campus clubs, ask yourself if you have ever had to skip a class or a study session because you just had to make it to a club meeting. At this point, you're not really doing the club, or yourself any good and it's probably a good idea to cut back on the number of organizations you're a part of.

For everyone else out there, the *Flashlight* urges you to take to your advisor and see what sort of major related clubs are there to help prepare you for your future. Your education at Mansfield University will be exactly what you make of it. Put determination and effort into it, and you will reap the benefits.



"Hey! This school sucks! There's nothin' to do".

Student responds to editorial

As both a student of Mansfield University and a member of the community in which it dwells, I feel compelled to say a few words on behalf of the young ambassadors being housed in Alumni Hall. Ambassadors? Has Mansfield University become a foreign embassy? Yes, in a way, it has. For many years now, the diplomatic relations between Mansfield the University and Mansfield the Town have seriously deteriorated. To say that there is a general lack of trust or no love lost between them would be an understatement. Now, however, someone has stepped forward in an attempt to bring peace.

That someone is our new university president, Dr. John Halstead. President Halstead looked out at the town of Mansfield and saw the sadness of a school which could not teach its students due to a series of extensive renovations. He heard the pleas of parents worried over their children's futures. He then did a very generous and noble thing. President Halstead invited the displaced high school students to come to Mansfield University and learn with us. So doing, he stepped off the path of civil intolerance we have been following and onto the road to a lasting friendship between town and university. In accepting the invitation, the town also stepped onto the road with John Halstead. All that's left to do now is shake hands, binding us in a relationship of peace.

How can we do that, however, when people don't seem to see what Dr. Halstead has done? A recent editorial criticized his generous act, saying that he never should have helped the needy community. This voice claimed that the high school should not have been invited here because the town of Mansfield has done nothing for us, or if they needed to come, then the university should have charged them all four of their limbs rather than a single dollar.

The dollar however, is not the issue. The dollar is symbolic. President Halstead intended the use of Alumni Hall to be a gift. We are not renting it to them; they are our guests. Do you charge guests whom you have invited into your home for the meals they eat or the towels they dirty? No. Then why should the university impoverish an already struggling school district when the facility they are using is empty? Halstead's gift was not meant to make the university money. It does profit us, however. We profit from his generosity because, as we all know, kindness begets kindness.

Which brings me back to the youthful ambassadors dwelling in Alumni Hall. I have called them "children," as this is what they are. We are not talking about seventeen or eighteen year olds who will slip out of their pen and mingle with us, wreaking havoc where they go. The high school students in Alumni are the seventh and the eighth grades. They are twelve to fourteen year old children who are, in reality, very scared of the big, bad university. They are bused to our campus every day and herded into Alumni Hall, not allowed to even look around them as they are ushered into the building and the door swings shut behind them. Most of them look at our students passing by with awe and envy, because we are free to come and go as we please. More importantly, they look up to us. And they will continue to look up to us for as long as we are kind to them.

If you remember nothing about this, remember that these children will eventually become the future of not only this town, but the university, as well. Townies make up a large portion of the students here at M.U. These same kids will remember how we treat them while they are here. If we treat them well and with the generosity President Halstead intended, they will remember only love. If we scorn them, they will remember only hate.

The generosity of our new president suggests that we emulate him, not echo the bitter sentiments of the editorial which I have mentioned. With President Halstead's arrival comes a new era here at Mansfield University. Today is Day One of the new era. Shouldn't we be striving to make it glorious, rather than drowning it in ancient prejudice?

Debbie Chilson

Commentary Policy

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Commentary

Editor calls for a safe party revival in Mansfield

Darren A. Meehan
co-editor

When it comes to planning weekends for Mansfield University students, the options seem limited. This weekend, we have the 1890s weekend and that is fun in itself, but it only accounts for part of the day. The rest of the weekend, in particular nights, opens itself up to a world of possibilities.

For many students, however, the potential for fun and enjoyment is overshadowed by the big brother lurking in the bushes. It wasn't always like this, though. A couple of years ago students had a wealth of opportunities for socializing on the weekends and not all of it included alcohol.

Perhaps this commentary would make more sense if it was placed in context. A couple of days ago I was hanging out downtown and the people I spent that time with asked me about the concert this year. And then, even more recently, some people who have been here for a few years or better noticed that parties these days, and the entire social scene, have gotten worse. They longed for the days when the topic of Thursday afternoon classes was the weekend schedule. For those of you who came to MU in the past year or two, you have no idea what I'm talking about, but follow along and maybe we can change the situation.

A few years ago, if you wanted to go out and socialize there were quite a few options. Fridays started at happy hour, which usually meant that about twenty minutes after four, and continued on to a pre-party party followed by the general party which was right before late night and, on a good night, late-late night.

Things were different back then. You didn't need to be Greek to have fun and it didn't matter if you were on the baseball team or the football team. Every-

one had fun together if you're only requirement was that you were out to have fun. Today, it's hard for anyone to have fun. These days, if there is one party on Friday it's a reason in itself to celebrate.

There are no more pancake parties. There are no more happy hours unless you get a couple of people to split the cost but the total attendance never reaches above five or ten. When it comes down to it, there is only one party a night.

But why has this phenomena occurred? Well, for one thing, people change. Today's freshmen don't party like last year's crop and last year's crop doesn't party like the class before. Even today's seniors don't party like those who went here five or ten years ago.

For some reason (my guess is the system)

"Today's freshman don't party like last year's crop..."

people just don't seem to want to have fun like they used to. I don't blame the students because it's not entirely their fault. If I wasn't 21 I'd seriously reconsider how I spent my weekends, I guess. Things have changed.

They have changed for a few reasons. To start with, as I eluded to last week, the law enforcement teams in place around here bust up on everything that happens. They swoop like vultures on a three day-old corpse and they don't let go until everybody's afraid or running scared.

Lately I've been at parties when at least 90 percent of the people were 21 and the cops still swarm and swoop when they please. It seems like Mansfield is the first town in America where gathering together and drinking legally is a crime.

I guess they want all the legal drinkers to start

bellying up to bongs like the underagers are doing because they're not 21. See, the way things are going, "they" want to keep all the underagers alcohol free until they're 21. The problem is, while they're staying away from the parties because they know they're going to get busted, they're buying drugs to pass away the time.

The question comes down to this: do "they" want underagers to spend the winter warming their spirits or skiing and playing bong-zonk? Both are wrong, but the reality remains.

Kids are kids and they like to have fun. They like to have a few beers and say stuff to other people they wouldn't normally say while listening to the rock & roll.

And before we get a letter, let me just say that I know not everybody needs to drink to have a good time, but some people do. If you think this attitude is wrong, let's examine what the school does to combat underage drinking.

This school recognizes that there are going to be some students who take drinking to an extreme while others stay away from it and they provide classes to educate students and to curb their behavior.

The problem is, the classes are forced upon students after they have been caught drinking. Why not have a class for incoming freshmen? Once someone has been busted, they know what it's like to drink and they know if they're going to do it again before and after the classes.

My point is this: if "they" would let peer pressure regulate safe drinking, it wouldn't be necessary to waste time and money driving around looking for parties to bust. Let us have fun and we'll watch out for each other.

At the risk of jinxing myself, I've never been at a party where someone died of alcohol poisoning but I have been at many parties where friends decide when someone else has had enough.

Columnist ponders similarities and differences between Clinton and Nixon

by Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Richard M. Nixon deleted his expletives from the White House tapes. President Clinton tried to expurgate his admission of sexual misconduct when he testified on videotape in the Monica Lewinsky affair.

It didn't work, then or now.

The words Clinton wouldn't confess were broadcast on daytime television Monday, in an extraordinary airing of grand jury testimony, in the questions, not the answers.

When a prosecutor demanded that Clinton say yes or no whether he engaged in a specific sex act with Monica Lewinsky, the president said only: "I am not going to answer except to refer to my statement," as he had again and again during 4 hours and 3 minutes of questioning. "I did have intimate contact with her that was inappropriate."

Two presidents facing impeachment charges, 24 years apart, both with tapes to be used against them — but so far, with a crucial difference.

No legalistic wording could save Nixon in 1974 when he finally had to yield the clinching tape that proved his role in the Watergate cover-up, the so-called smoking gun that forced him to resign the presidency.

There was no comparably compelling evidence for impeachment against this president, in the grand jury testimony taped on Aug. 17, nor in the 3,183 pages of documents sent to the House by special prosecutor Kenneth

Starr to support his finding that Clinton committed 11 impeachable offenses.

There is more to come, 16 cartons of Starr documents and another Clinton videotape, of his deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case, with the denial of the Lewinsky affair that triggered the Starr case.

But Starr's impeachment report to the House on Sept. 9 made his case with the most compelling evidence he had.

It's evidence, not proof. That is up to the lawyers and to Congress.

The House Judiciary Committee will decide, probably quickly, whether to recommend formal impeachment proceedings. Republicans have the votes there and in the House to go ahead, with Democrats defensively nervous about that and the off-year congressional elections now only six weeks away.

Nixon was convicted by his own words when the Supreme Court forced him to surrender the tape recording in which he'd told aides to invoke the CIA to stop the FBI from investigating the Watergate burglary. It proved he'd been part of the cover-up all along, and his shrinking Republican support against impeachment vanished, persuading him to quit.

Clinton was trying to explain away his words, admittedly dishonest in his denials of a sexual relationship, to his closest aides and to the American people, after Starr took on the Lewinsky case eight months ago.

His other cases against Clinton, including Whitewater, alleged abuse of FBI files, questionable firings in the White House travel office, were not

raised in his impeachment report, or in the questioning of Clinton.

Nixon's offenses involved the misuse of presidential powers over federal agencies to cover up the scandal. Clinton told his interrogators they were trying to criminalize his private conduct, something he couldn't have claimed about the other, unraised phases of the Starr case.

Starr accused Clinton of abusing presidential powers by claiming executive privilege against testimony by White House aides and lawyers. Clinton said in the grand jury appearance that he hadn't been trying to keep them quiet. "I did not want to put the presidency at risk of being weakened as an institution," he told Starr.

It has been. Clinton lost the executive privilege claim in federal court, and the Secret Service lost its attempt to keep presidential bodyguards off Starr's witness stand.

Just as Nixon lost in court when he tried to shield the White House tapes under executive privilege. So he issued transcripts, claiming that was full

disclosure that should end the case. It wasn't, and it didn't. He edited out his own crude comments and curses, making "expletive deleted" part of the language of Watergate.

What he deleted, incidentally, was tame stuff compared with the graphic and explicit sexual references in the Starr documents. Times change.

Clinton's testimony shows the president evading questions, and arguing that he hadn't perjured himself in denying sexual relations because of his understanding of what that meant. He sparred over the meaning of the word "is" and the word "alone."

That's the legalistic defense congressional Democrats have criticized; since Clinton has admitted lying, word play is no help politically. But the perjury accusations are the most menacing on the impeachment docket and the definitional defense is the only one he's got.

Again, Nixon in Watergate, on tape, advising aides on avoiding perjury:

"You can say I don't remember. ... I can't give any answer to that."

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Santa Claus took my shot of gin I can't believe its not a canyon

by Josh Cusatis
and Gene Yager
who cares

As each inch of ash fell to the ground, he knew five minutes had passed. The bottle of gin was nearing its end, and he felt that they would be coming back soon, hungry and searching for answers. He couldn't remember when they had left or when they had arrived in the first place. It had all gone up in dust. He laughed at the thought "up in dust." The shipment had come in on the second of the month, he remembered that much. But why had it stopped here? And where had it all gone? The walls began to change shape and mutated into rows and rows of roses drying on strings right before his eyes. The music was pounding into his head like a locomotive on steroids.

The floor had changed. At first, into a field of white grass, and now it resembled an iced over pond. He was stumbling out of control. "Don't think that way, it will kill you" He tried to regain mental balance, but things just got worse. Finding himself lying on the ground, he looked down at his feet.

The strobe light woke him up.

Or was it the music? It didn't matter now. They were back, and sitting around the dining room table. He glided into the room and took a seat at the head of the table. "Good evening" he proclaimed, and smiled widely. The chalice was being passed around, and he drank deeply. Coming up for air, he noticed Santa Claus. I don't mean the jolly, "who wants what?" Santa either. He was pissed and armed. It had been a long time since retribution had been demanded and now he was getting it straight in the ass.

But, low and behold, this was not the end of our intrepid hero. He had come this far and wasn't about to give up anytime soon. So, he offered Santa Claus a warm cup of Ovaltine and brought out the rubber bullets to sell for a couple hundred square miles of land.

And that's when it hit. Like Albert Einstein in a can. It was time to say good bye. Barbados was on the horizon.

Like Tom Waits in New Orleans, he fit in like a glove. Here he could lay low for as long as the light bulbs didn't burn out. It was time to find a wife and kids.

Sears always had the best buys but they weren't having any sales this month. JC Penny it was. In four to six

weeks the witness relocation program would be put to shame as it was all tax deductible. Best of all the gin was free because the bartender was dead.

In fact, he had been dead since before the bar ever opened. He had set all of the work to lawyers and such that he wasn't even necessary for the grand opening. It had been open for three months before anyone noticed that there were no employees. This was the last place Santa would come a knockin'.

It couldn't last forever. The flim had jumped the reel and the dream was over. Back in NYC, it was too cold to go to the pharmacy for the kids. With only one can of soup left, he started out the door when she got in his way. With a knife. A large knife.

In a flash, he was on the floor and in a puddle. Damn you Santa. Where's my football and Tanqueray?

by Matt Noldy

joint features writer

"People usually consider walking on water or in thin air a miracle. But I think the real miracle is not to walk either on water or in thin air, but to walk on earth." - Thich Nhat Hanh. When I first looked at this passage I wasn't quite sure what to think. In my mind I would find it truly miraculous to walk on water or dance on air. Am I alone in these thoughts? I think not. The meaning that I have chosen to take from this passage is that we should look for the every day miracles that we have right here on Earth. Geography is a beautiful thing. Why do you think people just loose control of their cars and go off the road? They are seduced by the land.

There is one particular plot of land in this area that is synonymous with miracle and beauty: The Pennsylvania Grand Canyon. If you're not familiar with the Grand Canyon it lies just past Wellsboro. You can find an informative brochure about it at many of the fine businesses in Mansfield. The Pennsylvania Grand Canyon is known best for its foliage. The leaves just seem to dance on fire as they sway with the gentle breezes. The Pennsylvania Grand Canyon has trails for hiking and paths for biking, it truly is breath-taking. However, anytime I think about the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon or find myself there I come back to one haunting thought: "There is no way this thing is really a canyon!"

It is probably to late to change all of the brochures and advertisements but certainly something must be done. I am not trying to belittle the "canyon", it is a remarkable place to go and get in touch with yourself and nature; a place to enjoy the everyday miracles that I referred to earlier. But a canyon it is not. In Arizona there is a geographical structure known as The Grand Canyon. Now the closest I've ever been to the real Grand Canyon is watching *National Lampoon's Vacation*. - (man that is a great movie) Another problem with this situation is that kids growing up in this area are brought up believing that geography of North Central Pennsylvania even contains a canyon. What we have here over past Wellsboro is at best a gorge- or maybe a deep ravine? So we could call it The Pennsylvania Grand Gorge or The Pennsylvania Righteous Ravine. We must be honest; we already call that trickle that runs along side Mansfield High School a river! Where will this end? The answer is somewhere and it must be found. Theodore Roethke said, "We have failed to live up to our geography." My guess is that Roethke was visiting this area when he came to this stark realization.

Horoscopes! Getcha horoscopes! Goin' quick!

by Lillian Sharik
staff astrologer

Aries: March 20 - April 19. This is your week! Expect love, passion, money and harmony. For the weekend, have a blast. Everything is going your way. Expect nothing but the best.

Taurus: April 20 - May 19. It is time to create your future. You are about due for a renewal - make the best of it. For the weekend, there are obstacles and adversity to overcome.

Gemini: May 20 - June 20. Its time to start your work-out! Whatever you start, especially in the physical sense (take that anyway you like), you will have happiness and success. For the weekend, don't spend all you're cash. You'll regret it later.

Cancer: June 21 - July 21. Expect this week to be wild and passionate, even a bit barbaric. Channel your energy and take advantage of spontaneous events. For the weekend, You're ready to meet new people and may even find a new love interest.

Leo: July 22 - August 22. Take everything in moderation, especially your finances. It would be in your best interest to start a budget and stick to it. For the weekend, you can accomplish anything! Go out and just do it!

Virgo: August 23 - September 21. Things might look down right as a failure, disappointment or all out. Disaster takes over. Don't worry. In the end, everything will work out. For the weekend, push your grief behind and have a good time. Brighter things are on the way.

Libra: September 22 - October 22. The end of your

troubles has arrived! The disappointment has lifted! Take a deep breath and just relax. For the weekend, love is on your side. If you're a guy, be on the watch for a friendly, darkhaired country girl. If you're a gal, seek out a business major. He bring you happiness - success.

Scorpio: October 23 - November 21. Looks like its going to be one week full of extravagance and frenzy. Be careful, your overindulgence could easily send you seeking counsel and advice. For the weekend, have a blast and get intoxicated with fun. Don't do anything incredibly stupid because someone's out to talk about you.

Sagittarius: November 22 - December 20. Hidden enemies and deception may find their way into your life. Be careful not to be weak - an important decision is to be made. For the weekend, weigh out all your options with plenty of deliberation.

Capricorn: December 21 - January 19. You will encounter a girl who seems good but definitely can't be trusted. Her perverse nature could leave you in dishonor. For the weekend, you have the power to do extraordinary things. Put effort in whatever you do and it should end up a weekend to remember.

Aquarius: January 20 - February 17. You will see the light and the truth will finally be revealed in a matter you've been involved in. For the weekend, go out! If you're single, you'll find happiness in all forms. If you're dating, you may find out you're really in love.

Pisces: February 18 - March 19. If you're a Pisces man expecting money, forget about it. If you're a Pisces woman, watch out for that new man. He is not ready for a commitment.

(Editor's Note: Don't drive under a Blue Moon.)

The Flashlight's



Comics und Funnies: Turkey Sub? HA!

This week, we need your help, we call it
Comics fighting for the right
to be in the Flashlight:

In this corner, weighing in at slightly over 143 words, the fanspatzatastic, comic from the
chronic, funny with the money:

Leold "The Whiney Bitch"

Leold www.leold.com
by Roger and Salem Salloom© 1997

Uncle Remains has a bad heart condition.


The doctor said he could die at any hour.

He said he's inviting his friends over for a deathwatch.

It'll be a potluck.

I asked him if I could invite my little cousins who've never seen anyone die.

He said, "Sure, but no heckling."



Leold www.leold.com
by Roger and Salem Salloom© 1997


Dummy Boyd was a famous baseball player many years ago.

Because he couldn't hear or speak, the umpires had to invent hand signals for strikes, balls, outs and other calls.

That's where all that waving around came from.

The name "Dummy" didn't bother him, and the guys didn't say it in a mean or insulting way. Of course, nowadays, there'd probably be a lawsuit if a newspaper reporter called a player "Dummy."

Maybe Dummy Boyd didn't mind so much because he really couldn't hear them call him "Dummy" He was deaf.



He probably thought they were saying "Bobby."

In this corner, weighing in at 12 characters, the Flickinger special, the babboon of cartoons, the Delorean of college life:

Lex "@vahoo" dotCom

LEX by Phil Flickinger (lexcartoon@yahoo.com)


WOW! YOU'RE GOING TO BUY THAT EXPENSIVE JACKET?

YEAH; I JUST GOT A NEW CREDIT CARD YESTERDAY.

MY DAD THOUGHT THAT I'D BECOME MORE RESPONSIBLE AND MATURE AFTER I HAD MY OWN CARD.

BUT DOESN'T HE PAY FOR ALL OF YOUR CHARGES?

THAT'S IRRELEVANT; I'M MORE MATURE BECAUSE I HAVE THE PURCHASING POWER OF SOMEONE TWICE MY AGE.



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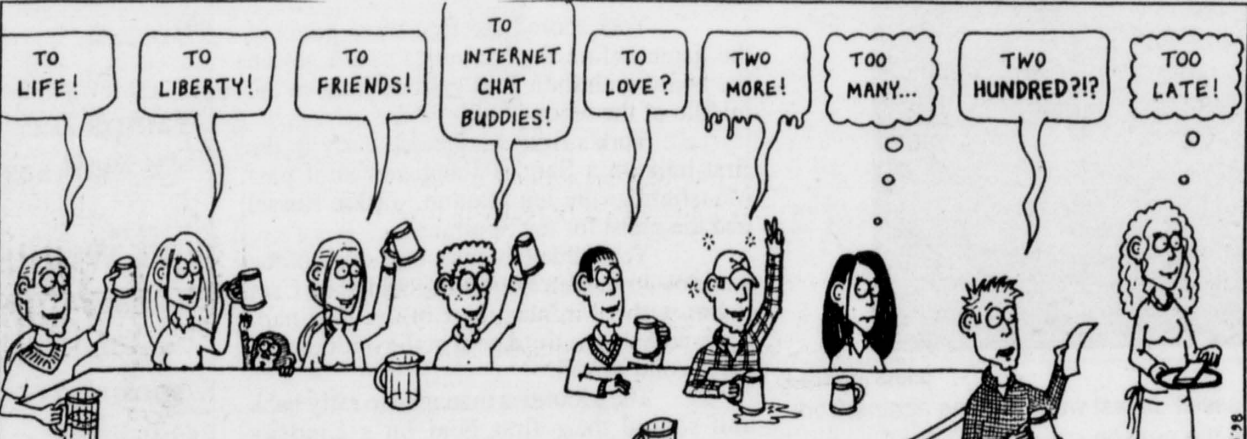
TO LOVE?

TWO MORE!

TOO MANY...

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TOO LATE!



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SportsTalk

"It's the only place in the world that we know of that stills outperforms the banned play that once you see it you understand why it's been banned for 105 years."

-- Steve McCloskey (MU SID)

Mountaineers fall to big plays against Ithaca

special to the Flashlight

The Mountaineers dropped the third game of their 1998 season last Saturday against the Ithaca Bombers by a score of 45-31. The Bombers hit on five touchdown plays that averaged 69 yards in length.

Ithaca took a early 7-0 led on a 26-yard pass from Mike O'Donovan to Nick Dibble in the first quarter and would go up 13-0 on a 63-yard pass from O'Donovan to Matt Buddenhagen midway through the second quarter.

Mansfield would get on the scoreboard with a career long 40-yard field goal by Tom O'Donnell to gut the score to 13-3.

But the Bomber special teams took over on the kickoff with Troy Canada returning it 91-yards for a touchdown. A little over two minutes later, Buddenhagen would take a Matt Hanley punt 79-yards for a touchdown and a 25-3 halftime lead.

The Mountaineers would come back in the third quarter with quarterback Lucas Smith capping off a 10-play drive with a one-yard plunge to cut the score to 25-10.

Ithaca then scored on two short runs, before the Mountaineers came roaring back when freshman Matt Sharer grabbed a blocked punt out of the air and returned it 15-yards for a touchdown.

Two plays later, former Notre Dame High School standout John Maio

would scoop up a fumble and return it 19-yards for a touchdown.

The Mountaineer closed to within two touchdowns with less than two minutes to play when freshman quarterback Chris Hudak found Nate Davis for a 15-yard scoring pass. The Mountaineers then recovered an on side kick, but were called for illegal touching the ball and Ithaca ran off the remaining time on the clock.

The Mountaineers will take on California University of Pennsylvania this Saturday at Karl Van Norman field. The Vulcans hold a 3-2-1 advantage over Mansfield in their last six meetings.

California is also coming off from a disappointing loss. Last Week they were edged out by NAIA powerhouse Geneva College 27-22.

By all accounts, California is a much improved team from the last two seasons. They have a balanced offensive attack with a .500 passer in Mike Yurchich and a playmaker in wideout Rich Narthey who averages 21 yards per catch.

The Mounties rank seventh in the PSAC in scoring averaging 347 yards per game. Smith ranks second in the PSAC in offense with 236 average yards per game.

Game time will be 1:00 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

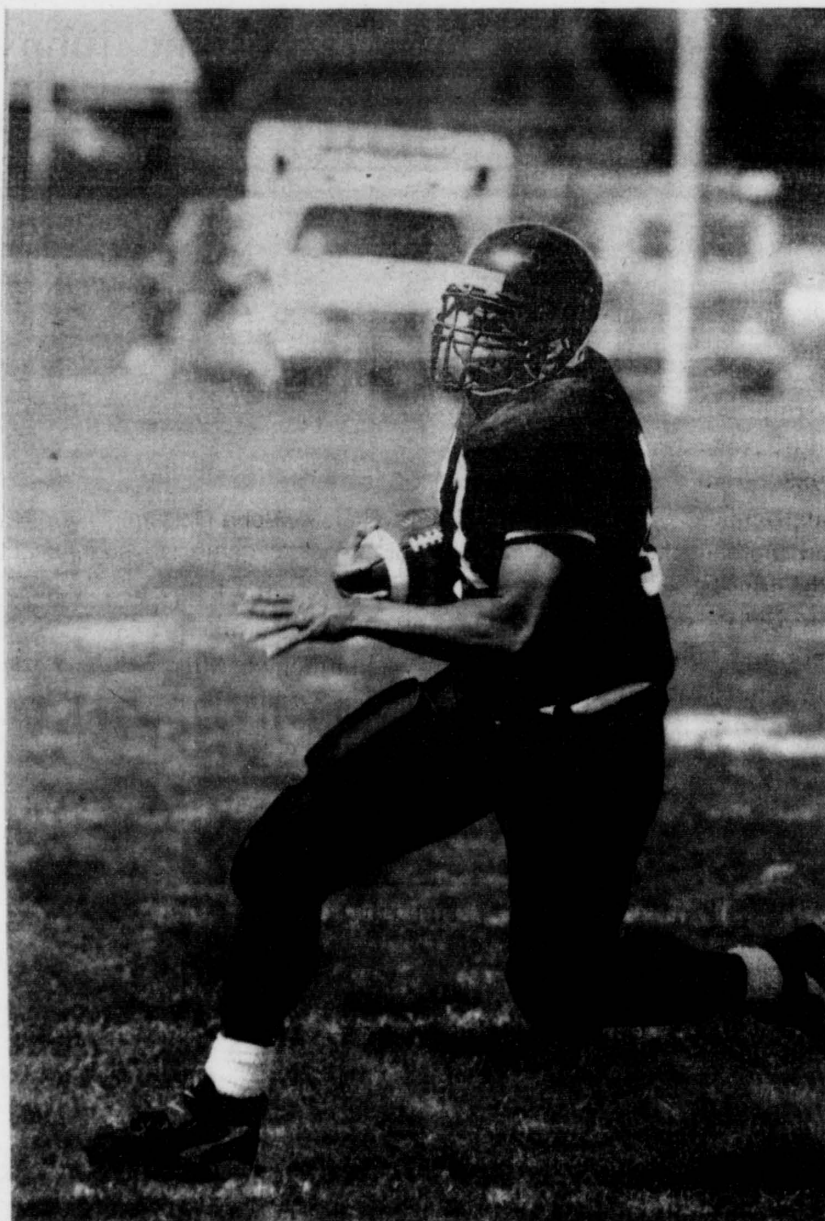


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Junior runningback Lee Brannon made his first 100 yard game of the 1998 season last week against Ithaca.

MU hockey drops last two, end scoring slump

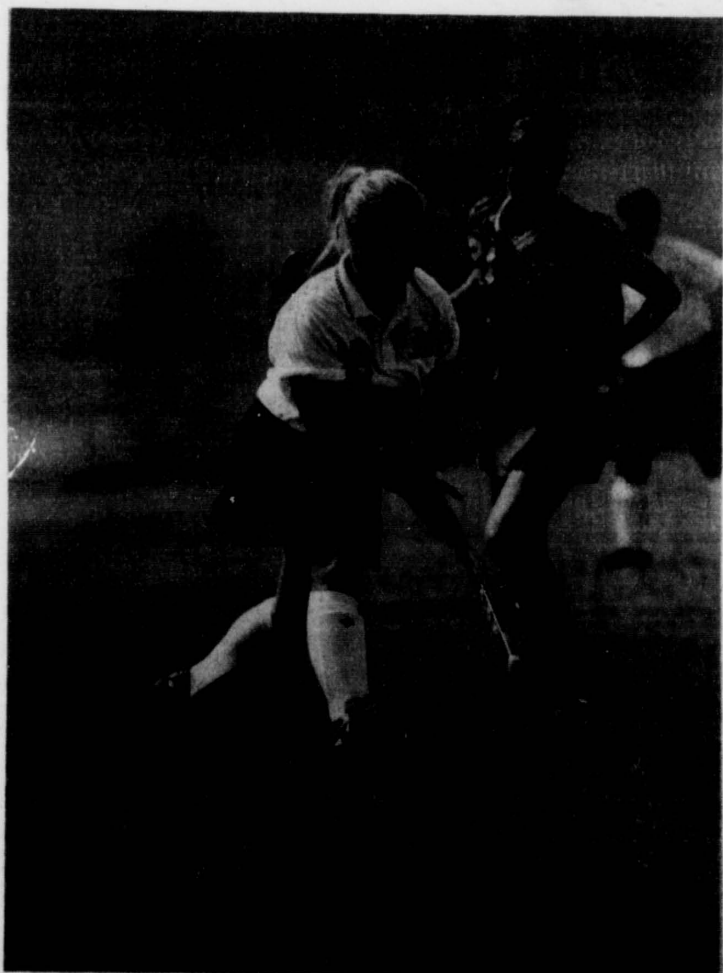


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Jamie Huffcut, a sophomore, had an assist in last week's game against York College. The Mounties are now 4-1 on the season.

special to the Flashlight

The Mounties field hockey team dropped two games over the weekend but seemed to break out of their scoring drought in the second contest against York College. The Mounties dropped their first game against the Philadelphia College of textile in overtime 1-0.

The Mountaineers managed to score two goals against York College on Sunday afternoon but they could not overcome the three goals scored by York to fall to 1-4 on the season.

The Spartans came into the game with an impressive 8-1 mark and handed the Mounties their fourth loss in a row. While the Mounties did score twice, they only had six shots on goal the entire game to York's 26 shots.

York scored the first three goals of the game before the Mounties could get on the board with their first goal coming in the middle of the second half.

York's first score came early in the first half on a Sandra Lancaster shot past Mansfield goalie Jen Manton. Jackie Russel had the assist for the Spartans.

York added their second score of the game on an Andrea Hamilton goal fed by Cara Poore with 10 minutes left in the first half. They added their third goal at the midpoint of the second period.

The Mounties managed to rally back and scored their first goal on a Lindsay

Brozena shot with 13:34 left in the second frame. Jamie Huffcut had the assist for the Mounties.

Mansfield's next goal came on an unassisted goal by senior Christy Sunnych with just 12 seconds remaining in the game. The score was Sunnych's first of the season.

Manton turned away nine shots in goal for the Mountaineers. The Spartans's Judy Frankel had to make only two saves on the afternoon against the Mounties.

Manton made three saves for the Mounties against Philadelphia College of Textile. Tara Sherwin scored 6:17 into overtime for Philadelphia.

Scores

Baltimore	6
Boston	9
Tampa Bay	2
NY Yankees	
Chi. White Sox	4
Kansas City	6
Anaheim	10
Oakland	6

The flying wedge returns to Smythe Park

from the AP

Banned from football 105 years ago, the fearsome flying wedge will re-emerge on the gridiron this Saturday night on the hallowed grounds of the birthplace of night football, Smythe Park in downtown Mansfield.

Described by an early football historian, Park Davis, as "the most organized and beautiful play one has ever seen upon the football field."

The flying wedge was the most effective innovation in football until the forward pass was legalized in 1906. It was also one of the most deadly.

The flying wedge and other mass formation plays are recreated annually during Mansfield's Fabulous 1890's weekend which celebrates Mansfield University's place in football history as the host of the world's first night football game.

Football 90's style, that is 1890's style, has been recreated annually in Mansfield by Alpha Chi Rho fraternity since 1988.

Using replicas of the original uniforms and football, the brothers of Alpha Chi Rho bring back to life the play that almost forced President Roosevelt to ban the sport forever in 1905.

"The action is as realistic as we can make it and it is based on actual newspaper accounts of that first night football," said Mansfield Sports Information Director Steve McCloskey. "It's the only place in the world that we know of that still performs the banned play and when you see it once, you'll understand why it has been banned for 105 years."

The play was invented in 1892 by Lorin F. Deland, a military strategist, chess expert, and Harvard football supporter.

Deland, who had never played a game of football in his life, invented the play that was first used in the second half of the Harvard-Yale game in 1892.

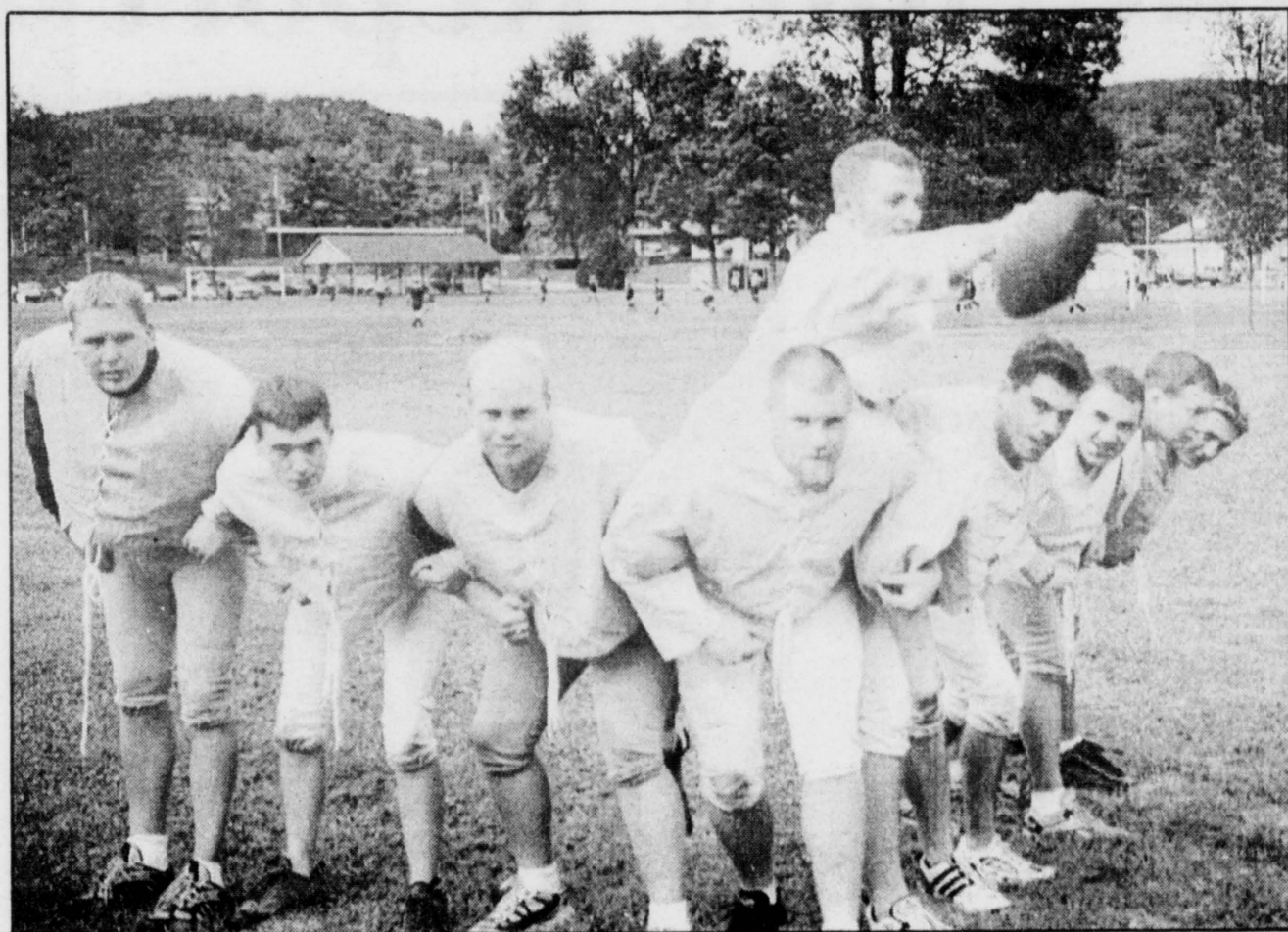


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The brothers of Alpha Chi Rho fraternity reenacts the 1890's reenactment game annually. Smythe Park, the site of the first ever night football game, is also the sight of the reenactment.

Before the ball was put into play, Harvard sent nine players known as flyers in motion. After amassing 20 yards of full steam velocity, the flyers fused at midfield, forming a massive human arrow.

Just when the group reached the quarterback, he inch kicked the ball and tossed it back to the speedy runningback.

The wedge enveloped the runningback and the entire formation focused toward Yale's right flank at breakneck speed. The ballcarrier, safely behind the wedge made his way to the Yale 20 yard line before the wedge disintegrated against the Yale defenders.

Harvard's dangerous flying wedge quickly became the standard opening play for team all across the

country. But the play, which used the principle of mass momentum to great advantage, was deadly as well as effective.

The cause of numerous deaths, the flying wedge was outlawed after only two seasons. Although banned, forms of the play continued to exist, many of them credited to George Woodruff.

Woodruff, an 1883 graduate of Mansfield University went on to Yale to play in the Walter camp. After graduation from Yale he went on to the University of Pennsylvania where he served as head coach from 1892-1901.

During that time he directed the Quakers to an overall record of 124-15-2 including winning streaks of 34 games and 32 games.

However, the use of mass plays continued to cause problems for college football. At the end of the 1905 season, the Chicago Tribune reported some frightening news: "18 FOOTBALL PLAYERS DEAD AND 1589 SERIOUSLY INJURED."

On September 28, 1892 as part of the Great Mansfield Fair, the Mans-

field State Normal School (MU) was in its second year of existence and challenged Wyoming Seminary to a football game. At that time Wyoming Seminary was one of the top secondary programs in the country.

When it was learned that General electric would exhibit the revolutionary electric light at the Fair, players from the teams made arrangements to host the game under the lights.

It was a novel idea in that both football and electric light were things that people in the area had rarely if ever seen. The town of Mansfield would not get electric light for another five years.

The accounts of the game, which ended in a 0-0 tie was called at halftime because of dangerous conditions.

The accounts also credit Mansfield with running the wedge or the "V-trick" successfully against Wyoming Seminary.

This year's recreation of the first night football game is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. on the same field it was first held at, Smythe Park.

Stewart wins Fall Invite

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield runner Todd Stewart continues his winning ways last week when he took top individual honors at the Baptist Bible Invitational.

He took the first place with a time of 28.06 in a pack of 136 runners. Gary Kline finished twentieth for the Mounties with a time of 30:11.

Overall, the Mountie men finished 11th out of 16 teams.

The women finished in second place out 16 teams. Freshman Nichole Beckel led the charge for the Mountie women finishing sixth out of 136 competitors with a time of 20:04.

Colleen Ryder placed 11th with a time of 20:21. Local runners Brianne Liddick finished 19th with a time 20:40 and Kelly Maines finished with a time of 21:37.

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Students voice mixed opinions on Presidential scandal

Darren A. Meehan
co-editor

If the Nielsen ratings showed a high percentage of Americans watched mark McGwire in his quest for Roger Maris' record, many more watched this week as President Bill Clinton answered questions about his marital infidelity and alleged perjury and opinions are mixed.

On the Mansfield University campus, reactions varied between those who feel he should be impeached his position to those who feel the Independent Council should end their investigation. Whether they find him guilty or innocent, students on this campus felt compelled to watch at least a little of the four hour video taped deposition show simultaneously on several channels Monday morning.

Tiff Becker, senior, watched the testimony but was troubled by what she saw and the volume of coverage on television.

"I thought it was cool to see the president under pressure like that but it was inappropriate and an embarrassment to our country," she said. "That night, I counted how many times I saw his face and counted 13 times. That was appalling."

Although Becker enjoyed watching the leader of the free world hesitate answering questions ranging from infidelity to coercion, others felt troubled by Clinton's demeanor, which ranged from confused to angry to jovial. Emily Watts, senior, saw the testimony as a lie and lost faith in him.

"I thought he stalled the whole time," she said. "When it got into the major parts, he took a break. He lied under oath but he's completely about family values while he screws around on his wife?"

"He should be impeached," she added.

Sentiment around the campus supports Watts' feelings, but many students disagreed on the importance of the president's character.

"I didn't think it was any of our business but I was pissed because he cheated on his wife," Renee Grinnell, sophomore, said. "He probably lied about the other things, too. I don't have any respect for him anymore. He made a mistake and should have admitted it."

Other students also felt that, had the president apologized long ago, the American people would have forgotten about it. Jimmy Nix, senior, followed the developments on television and read *Time* magazine. Nix thinks an apology

would have helped but didn't trust the president during his testimony.

"It's sad that he lied to us because if he would have admitted it we would

have forgiven him because it's just a mistake," Nix said. "How could you not know the definition of sexual relations? For god's sake, he stuck a cigar inside her, how did he not think that was sexual relations?"

Nix, however, does not think any of his actions constitute impeachable offenses.

"He shouldn't be impeached because I don't think this has anything to do with politics; all he did was lie."

Kasia Clark, sophomore, sees this as more than an offense by Clinton. She feels Monica Lewinsky, the woman discussed in the testimony, shares part of the blame.

"Monica Lewinsky is the one who should be prosecuted," she said. "She knew he was the president, so 50-60% of the blame should be laid on her. I think she's just a slut."

While Clark reserves blame for Lewinsky, she also thinks Clinton deserves to be punished.

"He should definitely be impeached. We don't need a liar for a president," she said. "A lot of people say he shouldn't be impeached because the economy is good right now, but if we got another president who follows the same course of action, we can still maintain a good economy."

During the testimony, which was the topic around water coolers and classrooms across the country for most of the week, Clinton eluded to a partisan conspiracy. George Knapp, senior, agrees with the president although he only watched selected excerpts of the deposition.

"I only saw the genitalia parts because they were all over the news but the guy deserves privacy," he said. "He has a right to defend his privacy. The Republicans are digging up stuff."



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President Bill Clinton is facing possible impeachment proceedings for perjury.

A list of perjury counts cited against President Clinton

1. President Clinton lied under oath in his civil case when he denied a sexual affair, a sexual relationship, or sexual relations with Monica Lewinsky.
2. President Clinton lied under oath to the grand jury about his sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.
3. In his civil deposition, to support his false statement about the sexual relationship, President Clinton also lied under oath about being alone with Ms. Lewinsky and about the many gifts exchanged.
4. President Clinton lied under oath in his civil deposition about his discussions with Ms. Lewinsky concerning her involvement in the Jones case.
5. During the Jones case, the President obstructed justice and had an understanding with Ms. Lewinsky to jointly conceal the truth about their relationship by concealing gifts subpoenaed by Ms. Jones's attorneys.
6. During the Jones case, the President obstructed justice and had an understanding with Ms. Lewinsky to jointly conceal the truth of their relationship from the judicial process.
7. President Clinton endeavored to obstruct justice by helping Ms. Lewinsky obtain a job in New York at a time when she would have been a witness harmful to him were she to tell the truth in the Jones case.
8. President Clinton lied under oath in his civil deposition about his discussions with Vernon Jordan concerning Ms. Lewinsky's involvement in the Jones case.
9. The President improperly tampered with a potential witness by attempting to corruptly influence the testimony of his personal secretary, Betty Currie, in the days after his civil deposition.
10. President Clinton endeavored to obstruct justice during the grand jury investigation by refusing to testify for seven months and lying to senior White House aides with knowledge that they would relay the President's false statements to the grand jury — and did thereby deceive, obstruct, and impede the grand jury.
11. President Clinton abused his constitutional authority by (i) lying to the public and the Congress in January 1998 about his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky; (ii) promising at that time to cooperate fully with the grand jury investigation; (iii) later refusing six invitations to testify voluntarily to the grand jury; (iv) invoking Executive Privilege; (v) lying to the grand jury in August 1998; and (vi) lying again to the public and Congress on August 17, 1998 — all as part of an effort to hinder, impede, and deflect possible inquiry by the Congress of the United States.

Calender

Friday, Sept. 25, 1998

8pm - Comedians at the HUT. Sponsored by Student Activities Office. Funded by Student Activities Fees.

Saturday, Sept. 26, 1998

Parents/Family Day

9:30-10:30am - President's Reception on the Student Mall (Rain Location: Manser North Dining Room).

1pm Field Hockey at homes vs East Stroudsburg University.

1pm Football at home vs California University.

Cross Country away at Alfred University.
8pm Prism Concert at Steadman Theatre.

Sunday, Sept. 27, 1998

3pm Prism Concert at Steadman Theatre.

Tuesday Sept. 29, 1998

1pm - New Student Seminar in Allen Hall.
4:30pm - Premium Dining in Manser North Dining Hall.

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1998

1pm - International Discussion Hour in MLK room, Memorial Hall.

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Prism concert includes jazz, choir

by Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

The 1998 Prism concert opened last Saturday night with the sound of trumpets, not from the front of the theatre where you would expect them to be, but from the back and the sides.

Organizers of the event described it as, "An hour of music from all corners of the Hall. . . a symphony of colors. . . the gift of music, as though experienced through a prism." It was indeed a symphony of the many colors of music at the concert with sixteen different performances.

The packed theatre was treated to everything from blaring jazz to the melodic sounds of the reed instruments. The concert opened with "Four Sequential Ceremonial Fanfares" by James Olcott, performed by the M.U. Trumpet Choir and led by conductor Michael Galloway.

Highlights of the concert included the M.U. concert choir, conducted by Peggy Dettwiler. They wowed the crowd with "Sing Me to Heaven" and a rendition of "The Battle of Jericho." Other highlights were Melisande's Death, a eerie blend of melody by Sibelius and arranged by Richard Gipson, played on the vibes by the M.U. Concert Percussion Ensemble and conducted by Adam F. Brennan and a performance by the Mansfieldians.

The concert itself was set up with performances coming from the

back, the side, the front and the middle of the theatre. In the darkness, between performances, a voice narrated and quoted from famous composers and the performers places themselves. When the lights came on, a mirage of beautiful sounds provided the color as the musicians performed in the usual black-and-white attire worn for such musical performances.

The evening closed with Cumberland Gap, a flowing orchestral piece by Joseph Wilcox Jenkins, performed by the M.U. Concert Wind Ensemble and conducted by Adam F. Brennan. Concert-goers were left speechless and could only say if you weren't there you should have been. If you were there, you know why one could only say how perfectly the show demonstrated the talents of the musical department at Mansfield.

1890's weekend ends with bang Festival entertained with fireworks, food, and music

by Tim Tomcho
staff reporter

The Fabulous 1890s Weekend returned last weekend with celebrations commemorating the first ever lighted night football game.

University students and staff and local townspeople joined once again for a two-day celebration with a motorless parade, a reenactment of the memorable football game and a fireworks spectacular.

For many students, the occasion marked an excellent opportunity for the community to come together.

"It is a good way for the community to get together," Amy Pflegor said.

Fraternity brother Tom Hummer agreed.

It's good community service and it's an excellent opportunity to be seen by the townspeople," he said. "It was also a good way for us to raise money.

For other students, the weekend marked two days of entertainment and special events.

Kristen Stevens, MU student, enjoyed the events but disliked the football game, calling it, "unrealistic".

"The fireworks were good, and the football game at night was exciting but it needs to be more realistic," she said.

Other students complained about the lack of entertainment. Kelly Diehl, sophomore, expected more of a carnival atmosphere.

"It was stupid; it was boring," she said. "They need amusement park rides or something. I thought it was going to a little different than it actu-



file photo

1890's weekend entertained attendees with food, music, fireworks and crafts

ally was."

"It was just a bunch of little boys playing football," she said.

Part of the celebration included a complete day of little league football games between area schools.

Local fraternity Alpha Chi Rho continued their tradition Saturday night. The fraternity reenacts the first

see Weekend, p2

Mansfield biology professor injured by laser pointer

by Kim Swarts
staff reporter

An incident involving a biology professor and one of his students last week prompted Mansfield University administrators to reinforce policies regarding the irresponsible use of laser pointers.

Dr. David Flesch, biology professor, required medical attention after one of his students flashed a laser pointer into his eye during a biology session on September 24.

The incident is under investigation and the unnamed student could face severe criminal charges as well as disciplinary action from the university.

The recent trend of using lasers as a toy forced Provost Joseph Moore to reemphasize the school's position regarding disturbing and potentially dangerous behavior during classes, although he downplayed the incident as an isolated event.

"I don't want this to seem rampant," said Moore. "Even in one incident it is possible that it was done by a good student who gave in to peer pressure, he said"

Larry Watkins, junior, claims "you can get a laser pointer anywhere...you can even buy them at Pudgies."

"If the laser were to hit the eyeball it would be worse than staring into the sun, he said"

The usage of lasers is not only a problem at the university, but is occurring in schools and cities around the nation. Incidents have been appearing in places like Virginia Beach, Va., Westchester County, N.Y., and Ocean City, Md. These cities have since banned laser pointers.

This past Monday an e-mail message was forwarded to the department chairpersons from the provost, forewarning them of the incident that happened during the biology session involving Dr. Flesch. A few professors responded to the message giving their appreciation for clarifying the subject.

Dr. Moore felt it was his obligation, on behalf of faculty members, to "dismiss from their classes any students using a laser pointer inappropriately."

"It is not a scrape on the arm, it is physical endangerment," says Moore.

"Our policies cover us well," claims Moore. Although there is no specific policy on using laser pointers in the classroom, there are policies that involve dangerous behavior and harmful actions toward other members of the classroom and the professor.

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Campus Voices

"Do you believe the religious activists should be allowed to stay at MU?"

by Thom Jonze



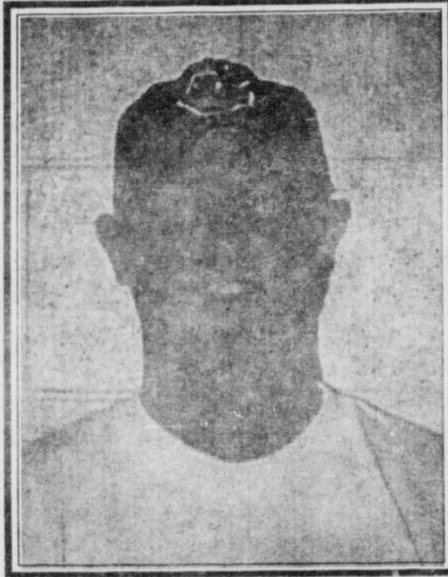
Luke Black
Sophomore

"I think they have a good message, but they express it in the wrong way."



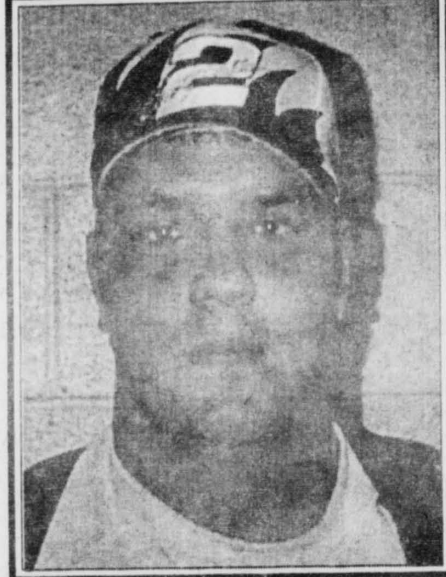
Randy Metzger
Senior

"I think they have a right to preach, but they shouldn't do it here."



Paul Bankowski
Junior

"I hope these guys know Billy Graham, so he can come preach the good word."



Joe Mushala
Junior

"I don't push my religion on them, so they shouldn't push it on me."

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The student who misused the laser may possibly be dismissed from the university and any other students found using lasers improperly will face the same consequences.

from *Weekend*, p1

lighted night football game against Wyoming Seminary.

Along with the day of football, organizations in the local area joined campus organizations to raise money for various causes.

"I liked the idea that MU students got in for free. It was a good fund raiser," Brian Smith said.

Police Beat

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Forensics team fares well at BU tournament

Pamela Beaver
staff reporter

The Mansfield University forensics team talked its way through a streak of wins in its first competition of the 1998 season last week at Bloomsburg University.

Competing against 15 schools, the nine-member team earned top placements in six speaking events on September 26 at Bloomsburg's 13th Annual Novice Forensic Tournament. Competing schools included Bloomsburg,

Cornell University, the U. S. Military Academy, St. John's University, and other schools from New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Two first-place wins went to Robin Thomas, for "after-dinner speaking," and Karen Holgate, for "poetry interpretation." Holgate and Thomas also took second and fourth place, respectively, in the "prose interpretation" event.

Darren DeVoue and Drew Pinkney won second place in the "dramatic duo" competition. Leah Phillips reached the semi-finals in "impromptu speaking." Angie Balch received two

honorable mentions in "impromptu speaking" and "extemporaneous speaking."

Team coach Dr. Sharon Carrish said she was "thrilled" with the young team's performance in its first outing. The group will face increased competition in at least seven more tournaments before the season ends in March 1999.

Students pursue forensics as an academic discipline and work to improve oratorical speech skills. Team members say that the most fun of being on the team is learning from each other.

"Students who are on a forensic team rise to a level that they did not know they could," Carrish said.

Forensic events are set up in rounds in front of a judge. One team representative competes at a time. Both individual and team trophies are awarded in 10 competitive areas.

Teams travel within a five- to six-hour distance. Travel expenses are covered by the university. Openings still remain on this year's team, and students from any major are encouraged to join, Carrish said.

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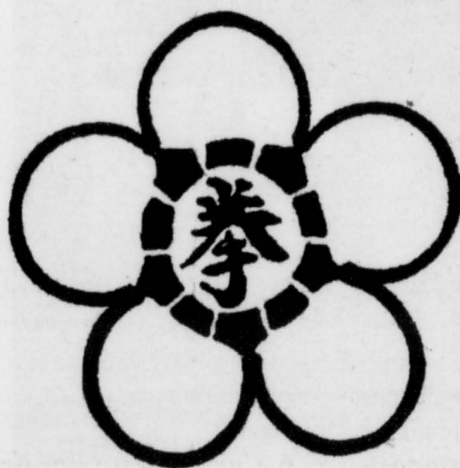
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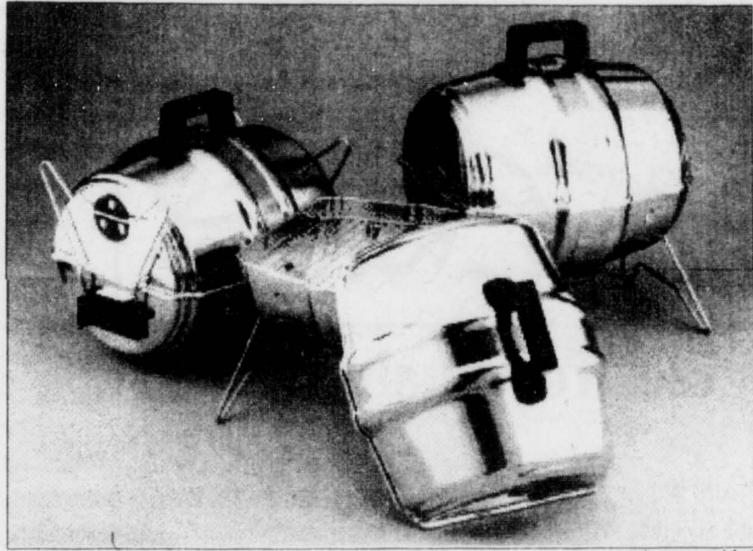
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Special Report

Alcohol consumption on college campuses

Study says campus drinking continues



Beer kegs are the beer carryall of choice among college binge drinkers

BOSTON (AP) — More than half of college students who drank alcohol last year set out to get drunk, according to a study by the Harvard School of Public Health.

The survey of 14,521 students, published in this month's issue of the Journal of American College Health, followed up on an analysis of 15,103 students in 1993. Both surveys queried students randomly at 130 colleges across the country.

In 1993, about 39 percent of respondents who drank said they did so intending to get drunk. That compares to 52 percent in 1997.

Nineteen percent of students

surveyed said they hadn't touched a drink in a year, up from 15.6 percent in the earlier study.

Henry Wechsler, who headed both studies, said it was difficult to gauge why students were abstaining more. But he doubted access to booze was the issue.

More likely, Wechsler said, those students had listened to the warnings of school administrators — or were repelled by the drinking of their peers.

Wechsler's 1993 survey was seen as a wake-up call on many college campuses, and administrators around the country.

SUNY Albany University tops list of party schools

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Here's the latest buzz on the state University at Albany: No. 1 party school.

The top ranking was bestowed in The Princeton Review guide to the nation's 311 "best" colleges, which is due out this week. The State University of New York's campus in Albany jumped two spots to dethrone last year's top party school, West Virginia University, which fell to No. 11.

The Princeton Review — no relation to Princeton University — bases its guide on a survey of about 56,000 students at the 311 schools. The annual guide, which ranks schools on academics and campus life, reports Albany has a "heavy-duty party scene," centering on nearby bars and campus fraternities.

Albany is home to a number of colleges — and bars that cater to their students. There have long been complaints from locals of students littering the area with party debris and urinating in public.

"I would definitely classify this as a party school," said Megan Hayes, a senior this fall at Albany.

"I'd say you could find kids out every night. ... Usually they're out drinking. Usually

there's beer involved, not seltzer water."

Albany, which has about 9,600 undergraduate students, edged out the University of Wisconsin-Madison (No. 2) and the University of Florida in Gainesville (No. 3). Brigham Young University, owned by the Mormon church, topped a complementary list of "stone cold sober schools."

"I don't want to graduate from the No. 1 party school. That's not something to say in a job interview."

Student Hayes

The Princeton Review questioned students on topics ranging from professors to campus food. The party-school ranking was based on responses to questions on alcohol and drug use, study hours and the popularity of the Greek system.

The Princeton Review superlative did not amuse officials at Albany, who countered that the survey was based upon "a limited sampling of student opin-

ion at each institution." Spokeswoman Mary Fiess said.

Princeton Review's Top 10 "Party Schools"

1_State University of New York-Albany

2_University of Wisconsin-Madison

3_University of Florida-Gainesville

4_University of Georgia

5_University of Colorado-Boulder

6_Florida State University

7_Ohio University

8_University of Kansas

9_University of Vermont

10_Seton Hall University (N.J.)

Princeton Review's Top 10 "Stone Cold Sober Schools"

1_Brigham Young University (Utah)

2_Golden Gate University (Calif.)

3_U.S. Naval Academy (Md.)

4_Grove City College (Pa.)

5_California Institute of Technology

6_City University of New York-Queens College

7_Samford University (Ala.)

8_Cooper Union (N.Y.)

9_Wellesley College (Mass.)

10_Wesleyan College (Ga.)

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Binge drinking results in death

BOSTON (AP) — The decision to indict an MIT fraternity on manslaughter and hazing charges in the 1997 binge-drinking death of freshman pledge Scott Krueger might do exactly what the young man's parents had hoped — change fraternity life.

This week's grand jury indictments against the now-closed Phi Gamma Delta fraternity at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology could have a long-term effect on college Greek life nationwide, Jonathan Brant of the National Interfraternity Conference said Friday.

"I'm sure the indictment will be much talked about," said Brant, executive vice president of the Indianapolis-based educational group that counts as members 66 fraternities. "Frankly, it will raise awareness and I hope it gets the attention of students."

The unprecedented action against the local fraternity chapter came in a grand jury indictment unsealed Thursday by Suffolk County, Massachusetts, District Attorney Ralph C. Martin II.

The indictment did not bring any charges against specific fraternity members.

The 18-year-old from Orchard Park had been at school less than two months when he was discovered in an alcohol-induced coma after a Sept. 27 pledge party.

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Religious preachers
should stay at MU

Recently, Mansfield University has played host to two religious preachers. Like a plague of locusts, they descended upon MU and have enraged, annoyed, and just been a downright nuisance. We here at the Flashlight would like nothing more for them to stick around for a few more months. That's right- we want them to stay. They were booted out of Elmira college for reasons unknown to the Flashlight. However, we are pretty sure that the official reason Elmira college would give would be something along the lines of that they were creating a disturbance. However the unofficial reason is probably that they are religious preachers who angered some with their views, and that is simply unacceptable. Mansfield University, if it has any hopes of becoming a true center of learning and education must not follow Elmira college's lead. Freedom of speech is the amendment we hold most sacred.

To deny the preachers their rights at MU as they have been denied at Elmira college would be a grave error in judgment. However, if MU continues on the path we have been traveling, and allow the preachers to stay, we may be surprised to see the results. Eventually, the students of Mansfield will realize that the preachers have nothing of substance to say. We are all going to hell, and we aren't going to have much fun when we get there. Yeah, yeah, I am sure that each and every one of us has heard that one before. So there it is. If you don't like the presence of the preachers, or the content of their message, don't listen to them. Without an audience, they will shrivel up and go away like an old piece of fruit. However, as long as they are provided by an audience of angry, finger pointing onlookers, they will feel justified in their continued attendance at MU. They will continue to think that God wants them to stay here and annoy us. And believe us- we do find them annoying. They stood outside of our office window for two days straight and screamed some religious rhetoric to the passing students, and those who sat and listened. We could hear them when we were working on this copy of the paper, as a matter of fact. Yet, despite all of this annoyance, and despite the fact that we disagree with much of the preachers' message, we want them to stay. To stay and expose themselves (as if they haven't already) for the extremists that they are.

We would like to go one step further. We would like to, right now on behalf of Mansfield University and the Flashlight, invite each and every right and left wing extremist, every last religious zealot to South Hall mall to speak their minds. If there are scheduling problems, the extremists could spread out all over campus. We believe that this is the very best way to educate the students of Mansfield and make them more worldly, and well rounded. Important lessons can be learned by examining the fringes of society. To have them right here could only benefit the intellectual growth of individual students, as well as MU as a whole.

Freedom of speech is not always easy. Freedom of speech is not always convenient. The administration at Elmira college can surely testify to that. However, the preachers are actually doing everyone at MU a service in their ranting and raving. Each time they open their mouths, they strengthen everyone else's right to free speech.



Fraternity apologizes for rush posters

Dear Editor,

The Brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha would like to humbly extend their apologies to any students, faculty members or staff which may have been offended with our rush posters this semester. Our intentions were never to be disrespectful in any way. Our goal was simply to bring attention for our fra-

ternity. We have now learned the hard way that our posters were inappropriate and offensive to many. Lambda Chi Alpha has had almost 30 years of positive interaction in the Mansfield University community. We are now back on the right track and thank you for accepting this apology.

The Brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha

MAC Secretary questions announcements wording

Dear Editor,

I am writing in regards to the Mansfield Activities Council ad which appeared on Friday, September 25, on the Campus Bulletin Board page. I submitted an ad for our meeting, but someone in your organization took it upon himself to add the words "Be there, or don't" to it. This added statement makes MAC look as if we don't care about the opinions or

views of students on our campus. This assumption is completely false. MAC is a student funded and student run organization. We welcome everyone to join us at our meetings and give us feedback or ideas about our events.

Cindy Albano

MAC Secretary

Letters to the Editor Policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than three letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The *Flashlight* reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced.

Commentary

Campus needs diversity in entertainment

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

I will choose my words carefully this week so as not to offend anyone because this is really not meant to be offensive. This commentary is an attempt at an honest discussion of an issue relevant to every student who pays activities fees at the beginning of the semester and we welcome responses in support of or against this argument: we need to change MAC and bring some entertainment the entire campus can enjoy.

It seems like this school has taken cultural diversity to the other side of the spectrum. Not so long ago most, if not all, of the entertainment on this campus was of a WASPy nature. The singers, comedians and other acts provided for the students of this campus as entertainment were all white. It was unfair to students from other cultures whose money never provided them entertainment they wanted.

The Badlees, Live and comedians like Carrot Top were all you could see if you wanted to get your money out of MAC. And this should have taught us one lesson if no other: whoever booked this type of entertainment should be placed in a small room with Carrot Top and the Badlees and forced to listen to the latest Live CD. Yeah, Live made

some pretty good money, but if we want to make money with little regard for what it does to the people spending it, let's just throw some hookers on the corner outside Manser and watch the money roll in.

Unfortunately, no one learned from Carrot Top. Well, they might have learned but because the people who ran it moved on, a new group came in and took control of MAC. For a little while, this new group gave us a diverse selection with some stuff that wasn't too bad. Money was being made with things that attracted the largest number of people.

But then Wycleff Jean rolled into town.

And the money rolled out of town.

You can find people who will say that Wycleff, a musician who hadn't made a name for himself as a solo act until after he came here, didn't do as bad as everyone thinks. I think it was the biggest mistake for this school since they decided students didn't need those extra weeks at the end of the semester to decide if they wanted to withdraw from a class.

Anyway, now it seems like most of the entertainment is geared toward Africa American students. If you disagree, consider this:

At the time that Wycleff was scheduled for \$30,000, a little band called the Mighty Mighty Bosstones was

available for half that price. Why would the Bosstones be a more culturally diverse act than Wycleff, you ask?

Well, to begin with the band is a mix of black and white and the music comes from a relatively African American background. And yet, debating the relevance of Wycleff at this time is a moot point because it happened too long ago for anyone to be able to do anything about.

But this weekend, we had a "comedy jam" on campus. Now, I understand how the school is trying to take advantage of the popularity of Russell Simmons' show, but come on. Mix it up a little and we'll all have some fun.

Am I saying that I didn't go because it was an African American related event?

Hell no!

I like all kinds of stuff and enjoy black acts on TV, in movies and music and in person every bit as much as the white acts. Some of the best music comes from African Americans and I have no problem buying Louis Armstrong and Mowtown CDs along with my Pearl Jam and Hempilation CDs.

And while I like to think I know good music, I also like to think I know what the average student is saying. Lately, I've been listening to the average student complain that there isn't enough diversity in our calendar.

What can we do? Well, for starters we can start reexamining what we are trying to accomplish through these events. MAC needs to make money while providing an entertainment option as diverse as possible for the students of MU.

With this in mind, why would the school spend so much on one aspect of diversity and so little on another? As I said before, mix it up. Take a chance. Do things with the money that you think most of the people will like. You're not going to please everybody, but it wouldn't hurt to hit a little closer to the mark when diversity is the bullseye.

Anyway, we can blame him and her and them, but fault lies with each of us. If we didn't like what MAC put on, we should have joined MAC. Everyone I talked to about this issue all said they would join MAC but they didn't.

And neither did I. It's my fault that I didn't join MAC but it's too late for me. All I can do is kick myself in the ass and second guess everyone about it.

So, if you're one of the students who complains about what the school offers up for entertainment and you haven't tried to improve it yourself, shut your cake hole or join MAC and do something.

At this point, all I can do is shut my pie hole.

If you want to join MAC, go to the meetings on Tuesday at 7 pm.

Debate over what is an "impeachable offense" in Washington

Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Long before congressional reports warranted X ratings, a Supreme Court justice wrote that he couldn't define pornography "but I know it when I see it."

That's about where the definition of impeachable offenses stands in the case against President Clinton.

The House Judiciary Committee is preparing to consider whether Clinton committed any in the Monica Lewinsky scandal, and possibly in other matters, while commissioning a separate inquiry into what they are.

Even that, Rep. Henry Hyde said, will produce advice, not a binding definition. "I think every member of the committee will make their own mind up as to what is an impeachable offense," the Republican chairman said.

Sen. Trent Lott, the Republican leader, said bad conduct that brings disrepute on the office would meet his test for impeachment. Lott wouldn't say whether that would cover Clinton's behavior.

Hyde had another example, saying it had been suggested that a president who went on vacation the day of another Pearl Harbor would be impeachable.

The whole case has been tangled in disputes over the meaning of words, acts and offenses.

Prosecutor Kenneth W. Starr told the House he had substantial and credible evidence of acts that may constitute grounds for impeachment, center-

ing on obstruction of justice and perjury, in the president's attempts to hide his conduct in the Lewinsky affair.

Clinton's defense is founded in fine distinctions and definitions. It begins with a judge's ruling on the meaning of sexual relations for the questions put to Clinton in his sworn deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case on Jan. 17. The wording approved by U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright listed erogenous body parts and said that a person is engaging in sexual relations by contacting any of them with intent to arouse or gratify another person.

But any list has loopholes, which Clinton used in denying he'd had sexual relations with the former intern, even after he was forced to admit that he did have inappropriate intimate contact with her.

"My understanding of this definition is that it covers contact by the person being deposed with the enumerated areas..." Clinton said in his testimony to the Starr grand jury.

The dictionary would have been more difficult to evade than the anatomy book. It defines sex more comprehensively. But that isn't what Clinton was asked.

He sparred about other definitions, too.

"It depends upon what the meaning of the word 'is' means," he replied when questioned about his lawyer's use of that verb in denying a sexual relationship of any kind.

And to questions about his testimony that he couldn't recall being alone with Ms. Lewinsky:

"Well, it depends on how you define alone." He said they were, but the doors were open so he never really thought they were.

And those are simple words. Defining an impeachable offense is not.

In the end, what one is depends on who's got the voters to say what one is. The Constitution is specific on two offenses, treason and bribery, neither of which is involved in this case. Beyond that, it says "other high crimes and misdemeanors" are impeachable.

So there is no fixed standard. Hyde said that leaves it flexible to fit circumstances and the facts. And the politics, since the side with the votes in the House determines what's impeachable. In the case of Richard M. Nixon in 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted three articles of impeachment, for obstruction of justice — proven by his own White House tapes — in the Watergate cover-up, for misuse of the power of federal agencies, and for defying House subpoenas.

Nixon resigned before the

House acted.

The other presidential impeachment was of President Andrew Johnson in 1868, on 11 counts, one for campaign speeches against Congress, the rest for firing the secretary of war in defiance of a law requiring Senate consent.

The Republican House voted impeachment on those constitutionally fragile grounds. Johnson survived by one vote in the Senate, the only president ever impeached.

No precedent there to guide what happens now. But the history of that impeachment proves the political point — the side with the votes can decide what constitutes grounds against a president.

On standards as hard to define as those the late Potter Stewart invoked when the Supreme Court ruled against censorship of sexually-explicit writings in 1964, and he said that he wasn't going to attempt a definition of hard-core pornography because he probably couldn't do so intelligibly even though he knew it when he saw it.

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THE Flashlight PRESENTS:

The Features Page!

Drink your big black cow and get outta here

by **Matt Noldy**
ambassador of good will

I woke to the sounds of a harsh alarm which yielded quickly to the hypnotizing hum of motor cars and students scurrying off to their morning classes. Not me though; I still had time to lay in bed, plan my attack for the waiting day and shake the dust out of my head from the night before. It was gorgeous out. It was also obvious from the crisp breeze in the air that Fall was finally upon us. I rounded up my stuff and headed out the door for class. I was looking at the trees, noticing the changing leaves I started thinking of changes in general. However when I got to campus I was greeted by a chorus of chuckles and cat calls directed at a thin young blonde haired man and his very young, fragile wife. It was obvious that the leaves were one of the few things on campus that had changed.

Believe me when I say there are few people that value the freedom of speech and right to freely express yourself as much as I do. Between the multi-colored hair I once waved like a freak flag and the countless times I have made an ass out of myself for the purpose of creative expression on this campus it isn't hard to image that First Amendment rights are important to me and should be so to everybody. This fervent, young christian couple of which I speak are protected by and enjoy the same freedom of expression as everyone else but we need to look at the bigger issue. This is **OUR** university and freedom of expression aside these people have worn out their welcome! So the tough questions that need to be asked now are why are these people still allowed to disrupt our classes as well as what can and will be done to rectify the situation?

Part of the problem lies in the fact that these people are a disturbance to our daily lives on campus. How many

people have been given an open invitation to come up on to our campus this semester anyway? Our high school guests however keep to themselves, they don't bother you with talk about committing moral sins against your fellow man and I've yet to have them disrupt my class. Another part of the problem is that they are giving Jesus Freaks everywhere a bad name! Every time I have seen or heard of a fellow student propositioning these christian ambassadors with an intelligent question or debate the couple proceed to ramble about something non relative to the proposed question. I have witnessed and heard of these people contradicting themselves during their tirades.

All of these factors have lead myself and many other students at Mansfield University to a similar conclusion and request to our christian guests: **GET OUT!** However I would first like to welcome these people to a calm, rational session of question and debate with

a few friends. I know my friends and I can behave ourselves. The question is, can you and your wife leave your soap-box behind and give a few respectful and intelligent students the same kind of respect that you have dismissed and ignored when they have presented you with intelligent questions? You can no longer just point your bony finger down from your bench at passing students and expect them to listen, appreciate or ever possibly adhere to the message you are trying to send. So before the door hits you and your wife on the way out give me a call and leave me a message at 662-4986. Maybe we can set a time to discuss some of the problems that we as humans on this Earth, whether following a righteous path or not, have in this day and age. You and your wife have ducked all of the serious questions since your arrival on our small campus, I expect this situation to be no different, so drink your big black cow and get outta here!

Descending

Hello, my name is zero and I have no expectations
My potential is unlimited, my knowledge is divine
You can't see me, but I am there
A whisper on the wind, a shadow in the night
You think I won't make it to one, but I'll keep up the
fight

Even though we're in Mansfield, fashion still counts

by **Aminah Mohammed**
staff?

Fashion. If you attend Mansfield University you probably fall between trendy and classic, which sometimes, can be kinda scary. Remember one pants leg up and one pants leg down? Tags on the top of the baseball cap? Forget 'bout it. This is a guide for the best fall trends for 1998. I'm sure most of you will still walk around wearing t-shirts and jeans, but for those of you who dar to embrace change... here goes nothing.

First, let's talk about color. The big colors of the season are grey, olive (military style), winter white, and navy. The colors you wear really do make a difference or don't for that matter. Ever stand outside of Grant Science Center and looked down at the crowd of "butt-heads" in front of Belknap and Retan?

Its no big deal, but, nine times out of ten, the most radiant colored thing you'll see is someone's bookbag or me. What are you guys afraid of? Okay, I understand its still hot outside. Who wants to worry about what colors to wear when you're just trying to stay cool and not pass out walking from Cedar Crest to class?

Well, when you stop worrying about dehydrating, another trend this season is plushness. Wool, mohair, cashmire, and even fur-collared sweaters are cool. The softer the better. Guys, throw on a rollneck sweater and jeans instead of the Mansfield sweatshirt you bought when you bought your books and I bet that cutie in your 9:30 am will start noticing you. Chics, just because you're layering doesn't mean you have to look bulky.

Appropriately, for Mansfield Mountaineers the trend for casualwear is cameo streetwear meets snoboarders.

Its all about worn cargo bands pants (in any fabric). They're what's known as a staple but you don't have to wear them everyday. Cropped zip-up jackets, fleeces and cameo parkes are all phat. (Hint: If you wear your cameo parka with cameo pants its not coordination. Its boring.)

Not that fashion and following trends is like the most important thing in life. Geez, we're in college. How much

more complicated can life get. But it is fun. Its how people express themselves. Some of us just take a little bit more time expressing than others. Those of you who do care about fashion understand that its a worthy investment. Let's face it, whether it be mommy and daddy's Mastercard or that Visa you didn't mean to sign for, plastic never goes out of style. (Editor's note: Tell me about it.)

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Lowell and I were walking down the street and I thought this girl was waving at me but she was actually fanning her face from the heat.

I almost said, "Hi."

I'm a jerk.

I told Lowell, "We're losers. We have nothing going on in our lives."

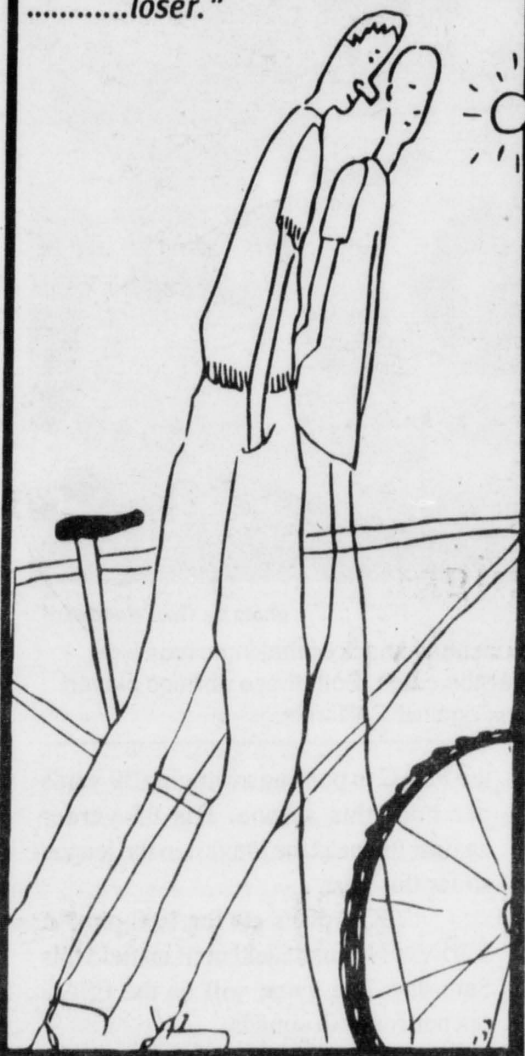
Lowell said, "Yeah, we're losers."

Then I said, "Actually, I'm not a loser, Lowell, but you are."

I said, "Really, Lowell, you can't be a loser. It's virtually impossible because you have a beautiful new mountain bike."

Lowell said, "Thanks, Leold, I forgot I had the bike."

I said, "Yeah, no problem... ..loser."



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Hey... Do you want to know why I like my friend Normie so much?

It's because he's a loser.

I say to myself... "at least I'm not as bad as he is."

So guess what?

He told me that's the same reason he likes me so much.

Wow... we have the ultimate friendship... we feel sorry for each other.



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I think it's important to analyze your dreams.

I was dreaming of a hammer hitting me over and over again on the head. I would start to feel better when it stopped.

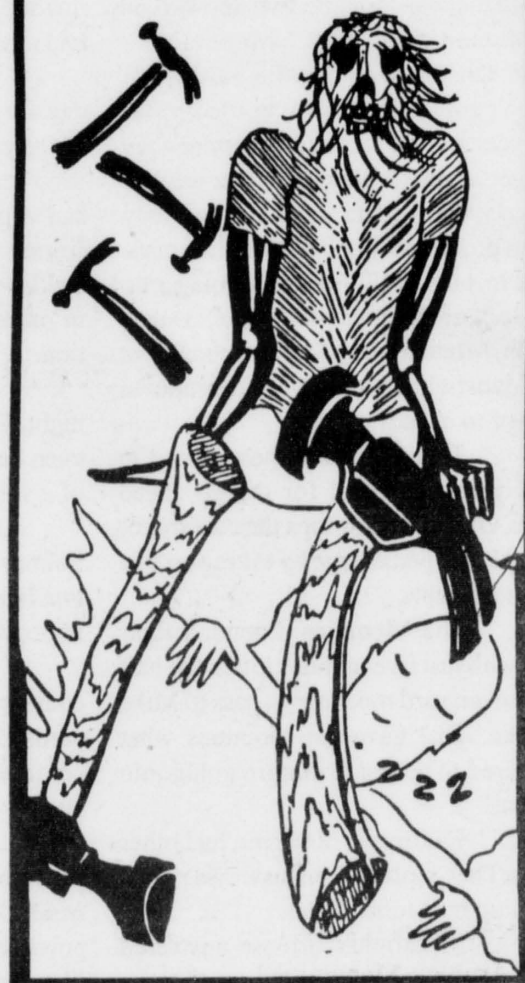
Then I would turn my head at just the correct angle so that the hammer could continue to hit me on the head.

Then I'd pull away... for a few minutes, then I'd put my head right into it again.

My ex-girlfriend's father owned a hardware store. I think there's a connection...

but...I don't know what it is.

If you can help me, call 1-800-HIT ME AGAIN.



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SportsTalk

"We haven't gotten a lot of breaks yet this year and we will need every one we can get this week against Millersville."

--MU Head Coach Joe Viadella

Mountaineers fall to Cal in overtime

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

The Mountie football squad will face off against PSAC powerhouse Millersville this Saturday after a disappointing 31-24 overtime loss the following week against California University of Pennsylvania.

Last week was one of the most exciting games for Mountaineer fans in recent memory. The outcome though would have been much sweeter if the Mounties did not have to put another bagel in the win column.

"We are a much better team than what we were last year at this time. If we could have gotten a couple of breaks last week and then again the week before that we could be two and two on the season right now," Mountaineer Head Coach Joe Viadella said. "We haven't got the breaks we needed so far this year and we will need every one we can get against Millersville this week."

California grabbed an early seven point lead but the Mounties managed to take a 17-7 margin going into the locker room at halftime. Lucas Smith, Mountie signal caller, scored first for Mansfield on a one yard touchdown plunge to even the game.

Tom O'Donnel then booted in a 22 yard field goal for the go ahead score. O'Donnel now tops the conference in field goal percentage by hitting on five of six attempts.

The Mounties extended their lead with just five minutes left in the half on a seven yard touchdown pass to Mike Klecko. That gave the Mounties what appeared to be a safe margin going into the half.

California, however, had other ideas. They scored 17 unanswered points to go up by a touchdown.

Mansfield's offense answered the call and scored a tying touchdown with less than a minute to play in regulation. The touchdown came on a circus catch by senior fullback Nate Davis who turned and bulled his way over three California defenders into the endzone.

With the game knotted at 31 apiece the contest went into overtime. In overtime, each team would have a single possession to score. If the score remained tied after those first two possessions each would have another chance.

Millersville won the coin toss and managed to put seven points on the board on their first overtime possession. That put the onus on the Mounties to score and tie the game, forcing another series.

The Mounties moved the ball to the Millersville 14 yardline but Smith was intercepted on the six yardline to end the game.

Despite that interception, Smith had one of his finest days as a Mountaineer. He was 17-34 passing on the day for 170 yards and a pair of passing touchdowns. He also rushed for 32 yards and had a rushing touchdown.

Davis had seven catches on the day for 115 yards. Lee Brannon piked up 49 yards on 17 carries.

Defensively, junior Karl Buzak had a pair of sacks and seven tackles. Jimmy Ludwig was credited with 12 tackles while freshman Ian Cooper was in on eight stops and had an interception.

While the Mounties had a good night, The Millersville Marauders had an even better night in their 42-7 trouncing of a solid Edinboro team.

Marauder quarterback Drew Folmar was 16-21 for 286 yards and four touchdowns. With the win, Millersville improved to 2-1 on the year.

They are the top team in the conference in total offense averaging 448 yards per contest. They also average a conference best 321 yards through the air.

"Millersville really has an outstanding team with very few weaknesses," Viadella said. "They have a very poised quarterback and receivers that run like deer. We're not afraid of them, but we do respect them and we will show up ready to play Saturday."

Mansfield has some weapons of their own. Davis has become just the eighth player in Mountaineer history to

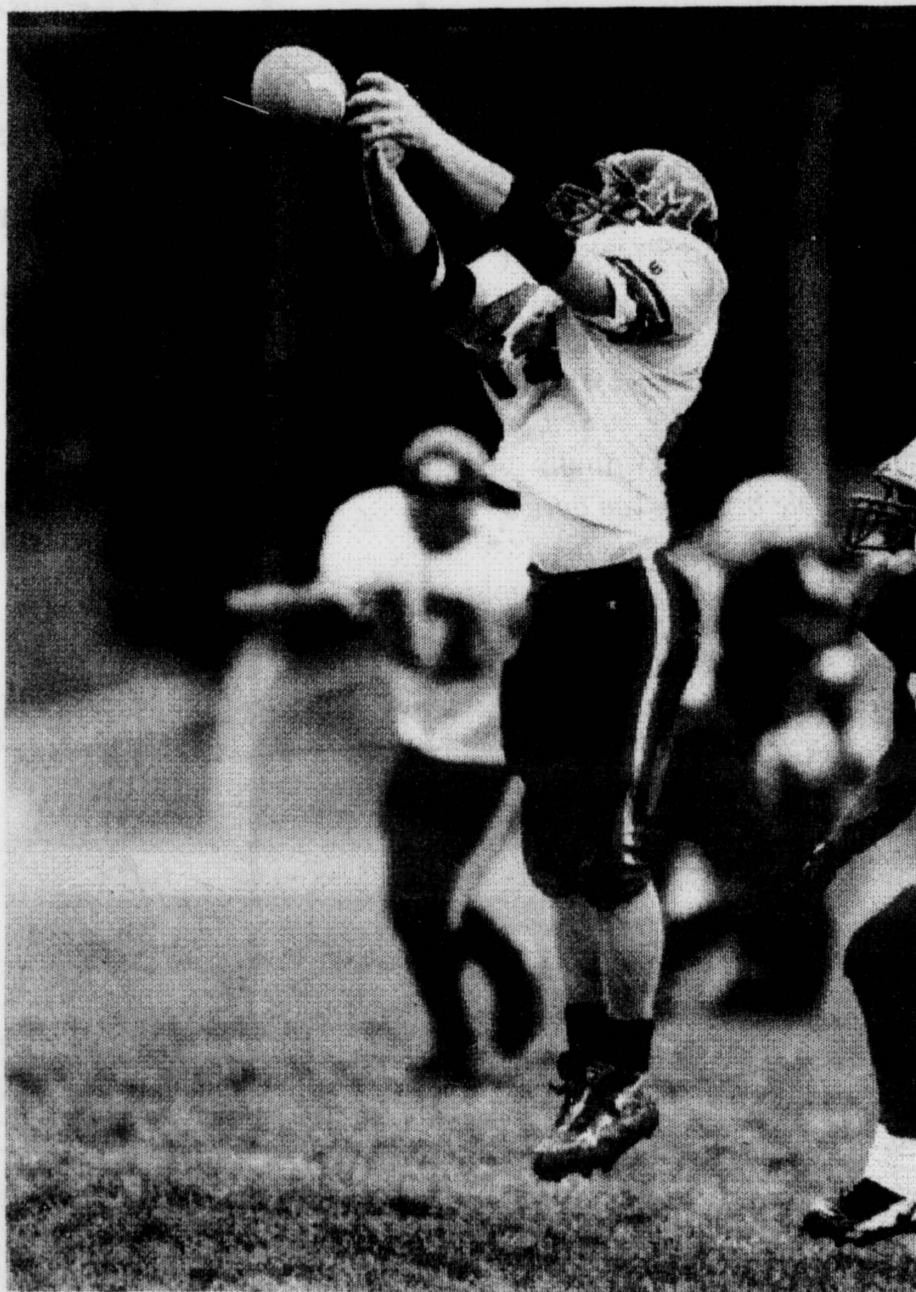


photo by Thad Woodward

Senior fullback Nate Davis has made an uncanny knack of making circus type catches and being a punishing runner after the catch. Both these abilities played an integral part in tying the game last week against California.

surpass the 1,200 career receiving yards.

He now has 1233 yards on 89 catches. He also has nine touchdowns.

Speedy senior David Banyar is fourth in the PSAC in kickoff returns. He averages 22 yards per return and also leads the PSAC in the number of turns.

Senior Matt Hanley is fifth in

the PSAC in punting averaging 39 yards per boot this season. His 65 yarder against Ithaca is the longest in the league so far this year.

Kickoff is set for 1:00 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field in Mansfield this Saturday. The game will be the PSAC opener for both squads.

Mountaineer field hockey drops two more games

special to the Flashlight

The Mountaineer field Hockey cannot get out of their offensive slump. They their last two contests in shut outs, the first an 8-0 blow out to nationally ranked Bloomsburg and the second 2-0 to East Stroudsburg, to drop to 0-2 on the year.

Eight Bloomsburg players scored against the Mounties. Six of those goals were scored in the second half.

The huskies improved to 7-0 with the win.

East Stroudsburg scored midway through the first half on a goal by Jackie Koehler assisted by Jaime Ryan. That would be all East Stroudsburg would need but they added another score early in the second half as well.

The Mountaineers did manage to make 15 shots on goal in their effort. Only six of them required saves by East Stroudsburg's Katie Horst.

Jen Manton made 14 saves for the Mounties.

With the loss, the Mounties fall to 1-6 overall but 0-2 in the PSAC. They will travel to Shippensburg next Saturday.

Pro SportsLine

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North Carolina State 38

San Diego 4
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QuickNews

-Jim Leyland has stepped down as the Florida Marlins Skipper. He has stated that he wants to manage somewhere in the 1999 season.

-Darryl Strawberry has a pea sized cancerous tumor on his colon.



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Todd Stewart climbs a hill in a recent PSAC cross country meet. He was named the PSAC runner of the week for the second time this season for his first place in the.

MU runner named PSAC runner of week

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

Mansfield sophomore Todd Stewart shattered the course record at the Alfred University Invitational last Saturday with a time of 27:25. He finished a full 28 seconds faster than the second place finisher in the 98 runner field.

For his first place effort he was named the PSAC Runner of the Week for the second time so far this year.

"Getting the award gives me a lot more confidence. I can carry that into the next week's race," Stewart said. "By getting the Runner of the Week award, I know that I am one of the more outstanding runners in the conference."

Stewart can afford to be confident. He has placed first three times in the past four weeks.

He was also named the Rookie of the year last season in his freshman season.

"In my first college meet I was pretty confident. I knew who I was running against and I figured that I could win," Stewart said.

He took first place in that first meet.

"I felt like I was kind of an out-cast my first year here," Stewart said. "I was a freshman and I didn't feel like I

belonged. But now, I feel like I am really part of the team. Now I know that I should be up in the front. The experience has paid off."

Stewart did not start gaining that experience until his junior year of high school at Hornell High southern in New York. That gives him just four years to develop into one of the best distance runners in the conference.

"I didn't even start running until all of my friends that were runners got me into cross country my junior year," Stewart said. "I was the best runner on the team by my senior year. When I first started out I realized that I was pretty good. Whatever I do I work hard at it and I expect to be good."

Stewart attributes this not only to his natural skill but to hard work.

"I think that one of the reasons that I am a pretty good runner is that not only my god given ability but my work ethic," Stewart said. "I have really hit the weight room and I work really hard in practice. It is all about discipline. I watch what I eat and try to live healthy."

Because of injuries, the Mounties have not been able to field a full team for much of the year.

"When I go out there and run and we don't have a full team, I don't just run for myself, I try and make a better name for Mansfield," Stewart said.

The "Big E" gets big ink in local newspaper

Mansfield's biggest football player, also the biggest football player in Division I, II and the NFL, got a front page picture in the Elmira Sunday Star-Gazette on September 27.

Eric Chandler, the mammoth offensive lineman in the news, stands 6-8 and weighs in at about 379 pounds. His picture on the front page covered four columns and was nearly 12 inches deep.

If you think Chandler is big compared to other football players, that front page photo is gargantuan to other front pages pictures. He also got two photos in the sports pages and a full page spread.

Chandler came to Mansfield after playing football at three other colleges. Now he is an anchor on an already big offensive line for the Mounties.



Eric Chandler

Pro Scouts are looking at Chandler to possibly play in the NFL. If he were to go to the NFL he would be the biggest player in the league.

Cards look for help

from the AP wire

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark McGwire is tired of hitting baseballs. Now it's time to hit the beach.

On Monday, that was the destination of the 70-homer man, back in Southern California after carrying the burden of unreal expectations for six months and then achieving something few could have imagined.

"I'm like in awe of myself," McGwire said.

Why not? This year, everybody else in baseball played in his huge shadow.

"He's provided moment after moment after moment after moment," St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "It's been unbelievable theater."

And now he'll steal some time for himself. Don't look for McGwire to be hawking shaving cream or pickup trucks, or having a book ghost-written, or to be spending time on the banquet circuit.

"He's going to be real hard to find," La Russa said.

McGwire's needs are simple: He wants to spend a lot more time with his 10-year-old son, Matthew, who lives most of the year in California with McGwire's ex-wife. Maybe he'll get to tool around in the 1962 red Corvette which has been sitting in his garage since he broke Roger Maris' home run record.

And oh yes, he'll try to work on that pasty complexion.

"I don't have a tan," McGwire said. "So they'll say, 'Who's the guy from the East Coast?'"

Of the numerous endorsement offers he's already received, McGwire said, "Nothing's really turning my crank."

"I won't allow anything to take me away from my winter," he said. "I don't do any personal appearances. If you get caught up into that stuff, the next thing you know it's spring training, and I don't want that to happen."

He's definitely against seeing a movie made about the season.

"The whole country already saw the movie, so why would they want to do one?" McGwire said. "They saw the whole thing happening. That's the real thing, there's no Hollywood get-up."

Since arriving in St. Louis on July 31, 1997, McGwire has had enough atten-

tion for an entire career. September was a blur of sellout crowds standing in anticipation and seldom leaving disappointed.

He scaled a Mount Everest of homers, with their distance this year alone totaling an estimated 29,598 feet (9021 meters). He was an equal-opportunity destroyer, hitting them off 65 pitchers.

His good-natured duel with Sammy Sosa enthralled fans down the stretch. McGwire ended his season four ahead of Sosa.

All this, despite McGwire's strict, almost religious adherence to the strike zone. During one frustrating stretch, La Russa predicted McGwire would top Babe Ruth's 1923 record of 170 walks by Sept. 1. McGwire ended at 162 walks, one for every game of the season.

McGwire earned every bit of the dollar-a-head bonus the Cardinals gave him for every paying customer past 2.8 million, leading the team to a franchise attendance record of 3,195,021.

And when the pressure was on, he got even better. After Sosa tied him at 66, McGwire hit five homers in his final 11 at-bats.

"I've amazed myself that I've stayed in such a tunnel for so long throughout what I had to deal with as far as the media, the expectations, almost every eye in the country watching," McGwire said.

Led by McGwire, the Cardinals won 11 of their final 14 games and finished 83-79, 10 wins better than last year but 19 games behind Houston, the NL Central champion.

"What the second half shows is a lot about the 1998 team and a little bit about 1999," La Russa said.

At the top of the offseason shopping list for general manager Walt Jocketty is a proven shortstop (Barry Larkin?) and a No. 1 starter (Andy Benes?). The Cardinals needed a closer, but may have discovered one in Juan Acevedo, who finished the year with 15 saves and 16 consecutive scoreless outings.

Outfielder Brian Jordan and second baseman Delino DeShields both can be free agents, and both may leave. Jordan, despite a strong comeback season from wrist and back injuries with a .316 average, has been expendable since the Cardinals chose J.D. Drew in the first round of June's amateur draft.

Special Report: Baseball news around the league

Cubs gain playoff berth

Alexandra Zavis
associated press

CHICAGO (AP) — One of baseball's most memorable seasons ended with a consolation prize for Sammy Sosa that the slugger valued even more than the home run title — the playoffs.

"Tonight, I forgot about the home run. I just wanted to win," Sosa said after his Chicago Cubs beat the San Francisco Giants 5-3 Monday night in a one-game playoff for a postseason berth. "I never thought this would happen to me. I'm never going to forget it."

Sosa finished the season with 66 home runs, four behind Mark McGwire. His exploits highlighted a rare winning year for the Cubs, in their first season since their beloved broadcaster Harry Caray died.

Every Cubs fan can recite the legacy of disappointment: The Cubs haven't won a championship since 1908 and haven't been to the World Series since 1945. Since then, they've only made the playoffs twice, in 1984 and 1989.

So after Monday night's win kept hope alive, fans streamed out of 84-year-old Wrigley Field and neighboring taverns into the streets, jumping, cheering, high-fiving and riding on each other's shoulders.

"I have been a long-suffering Cubs fan for 40-odd years," said Chicago attorney Mike Fulton. "It was worth the wait. It just shows that the meek WILL inherit the earth."

"They thought they saw a celebration with the Bulls," said Mark Eckert, 43, a tavern owner who drove down from Milwaukee just to watch the game at a bar in the Wrigleyville neighborhood. "They haven't seen anything."

"My face hurts from smiling," said Tara Gameron, 24, of Bloomington, Illinois, who also drove two hours to Chicago for the game. "I was so nervous, I wasn't able to eat a thing all day."

When Monday night's game became necessary Sunday — because the Cubs and Giants were tied for the National League's fourth playoff spot — tickets for the game sold out in an hour and a half. Brokers sold seats for up to \$500 each.

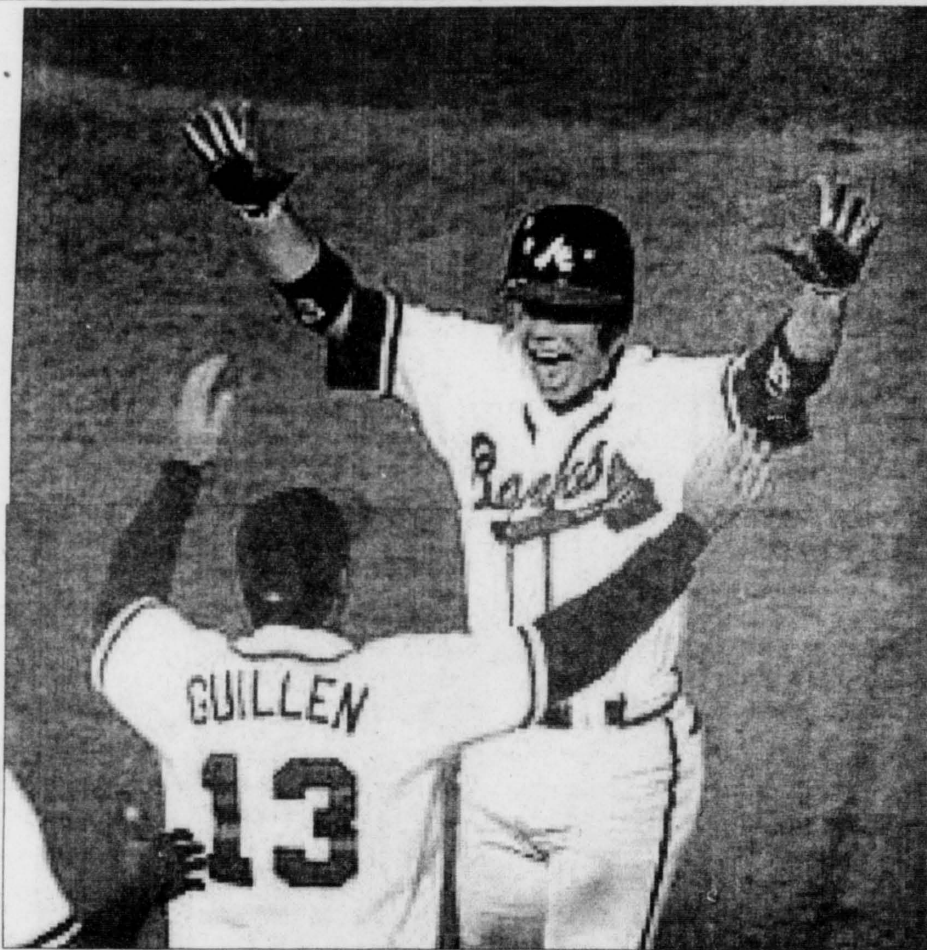


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The Atlanta Braves are one of the winning teams that have made it to baseball's playoff season.

Among other highlights of this past regular season, Mark McGwire broke the record for the most home runs in a regular season with 60 hits.

The regular baseball season ended this past week.

Darryl Strawberry of the Yankees undergoes cancer tests

Ben Walker
associated press

NEW YORK (AP) — Darryl Strawberry, told that doctors had "found something" on his colon, left Yankee Stadium before Game 2 of Wednesday night's playoff game between New York and Texas to prepare for more tests.

Strawberry underwent a test in the morning, then went to the ballpark to talk to manager Joe Torre and his teammates. He left about four hours before the game.

Strawberry said doctors had discovered something the size of "a pimple" on his colon. More tests were planned for Thursday, a travel day for the Yankees.

"If all goes well, he could join us in Texas for Friday night's game," Torre said. "We really won't know anything until tomorrow."

Torre did not disclose what Strawberry told him about his medical condition. The Yankees did not detail his condition, either.

"Cancer always comes to mind," Torre said. "It's something you're taught to fear."

Strawberry, 36, has recently been bothered by stomach cramps. When the Yankees played at Baltimore about 10 days ago, he spoke with his boyhood friend, Orioles outfielder Eric Davis, who battled colon cancer last year.

Davis said the first symptom of his illness was severe stomach pain, and that prompted Strawberry to seek medi-

cal attention.

"We don't want to think it's anything that serious," Yankees DH Chili Davis said during batting practice. "They don't know what's going on yet."

"He seemed pretty concerned about it. You could tell by the look on his face. It's something that could prevent him from playing in the postseason. But we don't want to get in a panic mode yet."

Strawberry, whose career has been full of comebacks from personal problems and injuries, hit .247 with 24 home runs and 57 RBIs in 101 games this season. The part-time outfielder and DH set an AL record with two pinch-hit grand slams.

In September, however, Strawberry hit just .229 with no home runs and

only one RBI in 14 games.

The former New York Mets star signed with the Yankees in the middle of the 1995 season and helped them win the World Series that year. Strawberry was hoping to make more key contributions in the postseason this fall after a regular season in which the Yankees set an AL record with 114 victories.

Strawberry did not play in Game 1 of the division series, which New York won 2-0.

Rookie Shane Spencer, whose six home runs made him the AL player of the week in the final week of the regular season, was to start in left field in Game 2 against Texas.

Under baseball rules, a player cannot be replaced on the roster in the middle of a playoff series.

Calender

Friday, Oct., 2 1998

8 pm - MAC Movie,
followed by Zanzibar
at The HUT.

Saturday, Oct., 3 1998

10 am - Fall Classic
Softball Tournament at
Lutes Field
1 pm - Football at
home vs Millersville
University
1 pm - Field Hockey
away at Shippensburg
University
3 pm - Elizabeth Lane
Senior Flute Recital in
Steadman Theatre
Cross Country away at

SUNY-Geneseo
8 pm - MAC Movie,
followed by Zanzibar
at The HUT.
8 pm - Fine Arts Series
- St. Lawrence String
Quartet in Steadman
Theatre

Tuesday, Oct., 6 1998

11 am - 1 pm - Nutri-
tion Education in
Manser/North Dining
Hall
1 pm - Ebony Discus-
sion Hour in Martin
Luther King Jr. Center,
Memorial Hall
4 pm - Entry Deadline
for Men's Basketball.
Location: Recreational
Sports Office of the

Rod
C. Kelchner Fitness
Center.
7:30 pm - Ms. Ellen
Gootblatt, lecturer,
author and radio talk-
show hostess, will be
speaking
in Laurel B Lounge.
Topic: "Dating, Mat-
ing and Relating"

Wednesday, Oct., 7 1998

3:30 pm - Field
Hockey at home vs
Indiana University of
PA
4 pm - North Dining
Hall. Mansfield Uni-
versity Lecture Series
program: "How to
Protect What's Left of

Your Privacy."
4 pm - Entry Deadline
for Men's Volleyball,
Women's Volleyball.
Location: Recreational
Sports Office of the
Rod C. Kelchner
Fitness Center.

Thursday, Oct., 8 1998

1 pm - International
Discussion Hour in
Martin Luther King Jr.
Center, Memorial Hall
8 pm - Casino Night
with Jim Karol at
Zanzibar at The HUT.
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Moon Over Buffalo a humorous fall production

Thomas A. Jones
wire editor
Gene Yager
editor

This weekend the Mansfield University Theatre Department will continue to present "Moon Over Buffalo." Michael Crumb directs this comedy concerning the lives of a family-run theatre company, and their attempts to find happiness and prosperity in a field that is rapidly being overtaken by television and hollywood.

The two-act production begins on a stage at the Erlanger Theatre in Buffalo, New York during the presentation of "Cyrano de Bergerac." Problems develop when a cheating husband is uncovered, a love triangle is discovered, and Frank Capra, a major hollywood producer, decides to attend the matinee performance.

Everything seems to hinge on

their matinee production which develops more problems as it goes on. The second act starts minutes before the matinee and ends backstage after it has been presented.

The cast included Adam Snyder as George Hay, Laurie Toole as Charlotte Hay, Katie Mason as Ethel, Erin Owens as Rosalind, Jonmichael Brennan as Howard, Bonnie Remus as Eileen, Christopher Hill as Paul, and Joel Shade as Richard.

There was a turnout that forced the production crew to open another section of the theatre for seating, and the production was well-received by students.

"Moon Over Buffalo" was first presented on Thursday Oct. 15 at 8:00pm in Straughn Auditorium and will continue to be held there on Friday and Saturday at the same time. A matinee will be shown on Sunday at 2:00pm.

The production was written by Ken Ludwig who is also responsible for the Broadway hits "Crazy for You" and



photo by Yager

Moon Over Buffalo will be playing at Straughn auditorium all weekend. For tickets call the box office at 662-4781.

"Lend Me a Tenor." He has been nominated for the Tony Award twice and is

a recipient of the coveted Lawrence Olivier Award from the London Society of West End Theatres.

Homecoming weekend has "Mardi Gras" theme

Suzanne M. Yeager
staff reporter

Need something to do this weekend? Mansfield is the place to be because there are many activities in celebration of Homecoming Weekend, October 16-17. Its theme is "Mardi Gras."

The weekend starts off with a Homecoming Golf Tournament from 9 a.m. to Noon at the Corey Creek Country Club.

On Friday, Oct. 16, seven new members of the Mansfield University Hall of Fame will be inducted at the 16th annual ceremony and dinner. Considered the highest achievement an athlete or coach can receive at MU, the evening starts at 6 p.m. with a reception at the Wall of Fame in the lobby of Decker Gymnasium followed by the

dinner and presentations at 7 p.m. The following people will be inducted: Tim Fausnaught (1992), Larry Biddle (1959), Edward Mollahan (1952), Jack Terry (1939), and Mark Sasani (1974), James G. Dunsmore (1892) and Patrick Joseph "PJ" Gallaher (1902). (note: See page 11 for details.)

Also at 7 o'clock, there will be a concert held in Maple Hall as a campus-wide activity. Kokopelli will play, featuring music by: The Eagles, Third Eye Blind, Dave Matthews Band, Green Day, Matchbox 20, the Verve Pipe and the Foo Fighters.

The Homecoming bonfire and pep rally will take place at the Water Tower at 8 p.m. Music will be provided by the marching band. The football team, coaches, cheerleaders and homecoming queen candidates will also be showing their MU spirit at the rally.

At 8 p.m. on both Friday, Oct. 16 and Saturday, Oct. 17, the MU Theater Department will present, "Moon Over Buffalo," a comedy by Ken

Ludwig. Michael Crum will be directing the play in Straughn Hall Auditorium. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and students and \$2 for MU students with ID. All tickets are general admission seating, sold at the door. There will also be a show on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 2 p.m.

Do you feel like dancing? Zanzibar at the HUT will be held from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Saturdays activities begin with the parade at 10 a.m. in downtown Mansfield.

At 11 a.m., there is an Alumni Softball Game with a barbecue immediately following.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., all of the alumni will "meet and greet" under the tent adjacent to Van Norman Field.

At approximately 12:40 p.m. at Van Norman Field will be the president's welcome, presentation of parade awards and the homecoming queen/king introductions. Immediately following thereafter will be the football

game against Kutztown University. The half time program will include the President's introduction of Hall of Fame inductees, the homecoming Queen/King Coronation and a performance by the Pride of Pennsylvania, MU marching band.

The Homecoming Queen/King nominees this year include 19 people representing various organizations on campus. They include: Lindsay Brozena of the Field Hockey team, Paola Ciaravino of the cheerleading squad, April Clark of MISO, Jamie Cowles of Phi Beta Lambda, Rebecca Detweiler of MU Nurses Association, Megan Fleming of the Music Department, Brenda Hamm of Phi Sigma Pi, Joy Hart of WNTE-Giant 89, Karen Holgate of Mountaineer TV Productions, Heather Imdorf of All Residence Hall Council, Robert Jordan of Government Discussion Group, Christal

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Some Mansfield U. offices allowed to be smoking areas

Josh Cusatis
news editor

In this age of high taxes on tobacco and a rising taboo against smoking professors have the ability under Mansfield University's Smoking/Tobacco Policy to designate their offices as smoking areas.

According to the MU Password, the policy reads: There is to be no smoking or the use of smokeless

tobacco products in MU buildings, except in designated smoking areas. No smoking will be permitted in common areas, reception areas, conference rooms or other places where groups or committees may convene. Smoking is permitted in designated private offices. The entrances to all buildings will be appropriately signed.

Dr. Ann Mabe, MU professor of social work, anthropology and sociology, is one faculty member that has taken the opportunity to have her office designated as a smoking area.

"Several years ago we were told, as the faculty, that we could have our offices designated to be smoking areas," Mabe said. "We were told that the office had to be designated as a smoking area before we would be allowed to smoke in them."

Mabe said that the process of having an office designated as a smoking area is a simple one.

"As I remember, there was a form that we had to fill out," Mabe said. "After we filled out the form we were provided with signs that we were to put

on the door to the office that stated it is alright to smoke in the office."

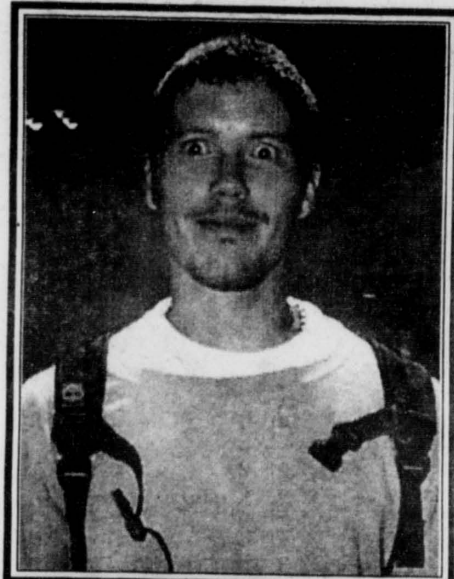
Mabe said that having an office that is a designated as a smoking area has not presented her with any problems.

"I've heard comments made about it but there has never been a challenge made to me about it," Mabe said. "Sometimes students will come over to have a smoke and then I might have to open a window because it gets too smoky but I don't think I've ever had a real problem because of it."

Campus Voices

"Do you plan on attending any productions of Moon over Buffalo?"

by Josh Cusatis



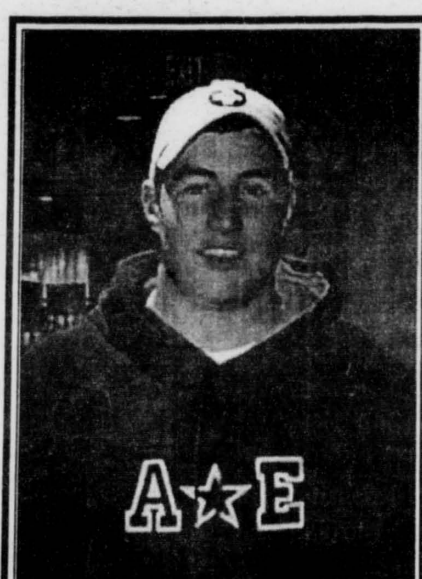
Lee Miller
Junior

"Yes. It is a good way to support my friends. I have two in it."



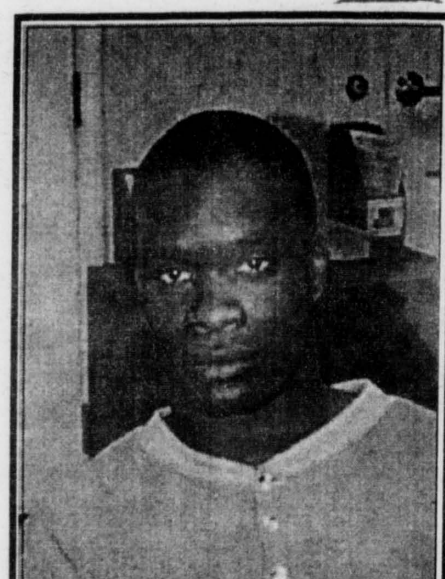
Michelle Margitich
Senior

"Yes, I have a relative in it."



Ryan Smedley
Senior

"Yes, I think it will be interesting."



Godfrev Wilson
Junior

"No, because of my work schedule."

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Kelly of Panhellenic Council, Christine Martino of Cedarcrest Hall Council, Jill Mancini of the Public Relations Student Society, Brandy McKee of Council for Exceptional Children, Shannon Schermerhorn of Kappi Phi, Angela Shrawder of Student PSEA, Amy Wanner of the Biology Club, and Shawn Whitehead of the Black Student Union. The coronation will take place during Half Time of the football game on Saturday.

MU women's Field Hockey against Slippery Rock University will also be held at 1 p.m.

Billy Martin's Cole All-Star Circus featuring the Alien Encounter will

be held at 7 p.m. in Decker Gymnasium. All MU students now get in for free with ID and adult tickets are \$6 in advance or \$8.50 at the door. (Advanced tickets available in Memorial Hall 209) Children 14 and under get in for free and are limited to two children per paying adult. There will be animals, aerialists, acrobats and clowns at the circus. Doors open half hour before show time.

Saturday at 9 p.m., there will be a STEP show at the HUT. Following the show, it's time for some hip, hop comedy featuring: Wil from Def Comedy Jam, Rich Ramirez from A & E Comedy Spotlight and Fred Ricks of Def Comedy Jam. Both events are free for all and funded by Student Activities Fees.

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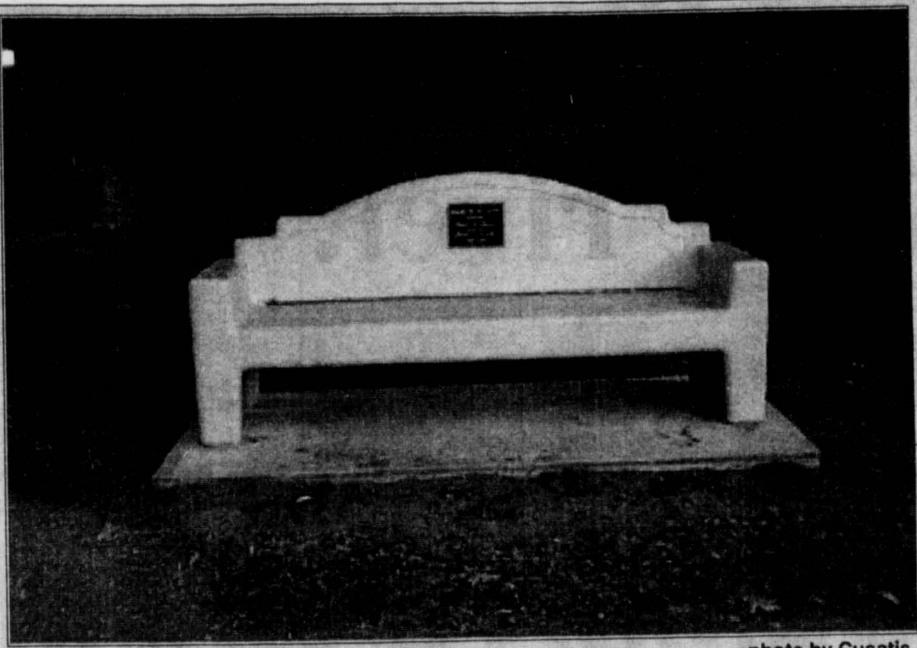


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Bench dedicated to former president

staff contribution

Mansfield University's Class of 1998 honored the years of service and dedication by retired President Rod Kelchner with a bench outside Manser Dining Hall.

The bench faces North Hall, the multimillion dollar library Kelchner's efforts through

years of fund raising brought to fruition.

Kelchner retired last year after more than 14 years as president of MU. Before serving as president he served in many capacities including, but not limited to, Assistant Dean of Men and head coach of the MU football team in his three decades with the school.

MU tears down the wall

staff contribution

Alumni returning to Mansfield University this weekend will notice many changes; none will be as immediate as the

absence of the wall that wraps around the corner near Elliot Hall. Repairs to the MU infrastructure forced maintenance workers to tear down the wall and much of the area surrounding it.

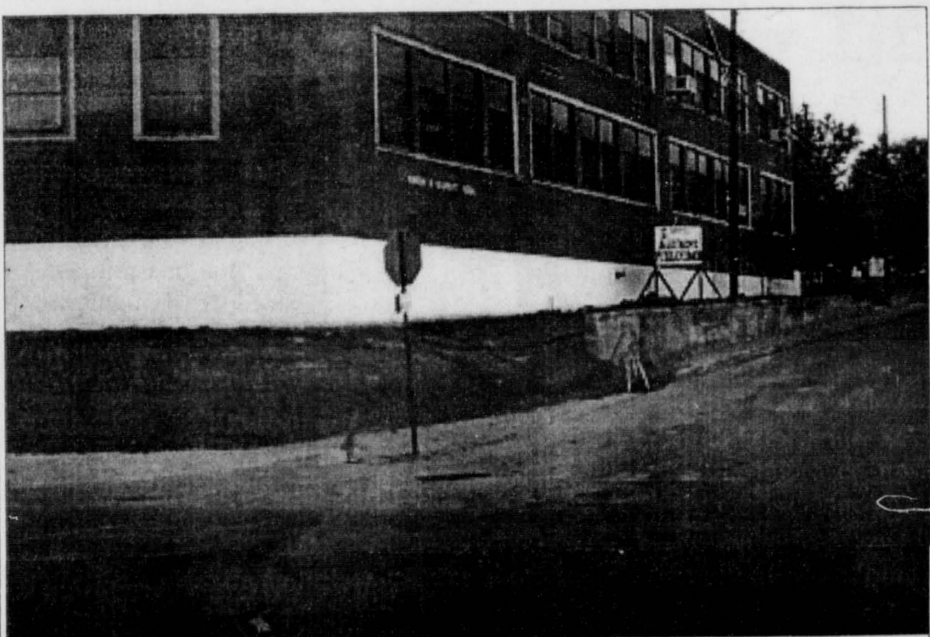


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The Mediocre Carnival will feature the world famous disappearing wallet trick, and is planned for an early May presentation.

Not partially funded by Student Activities Fees. This program is fully funded by proceeds from the annual telephone sale the Carnival Club holds in Lower Manser each Fall.



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P.S. Leold is gone. The editorial board has decided that the limited funds of this organization could be better directed toward the restoration of old hollywood films. Without our assistance, celuloid reels will soon decay, leaving nothing but memories of some the greatest films of all time. This month will begin the "Post-Apocalyptic Wasteland as Setting" films. Scheduled for full digital restoration include "Mad Max," "Sam Hell Goes to Frogtwon," and the 1950's version of the "Postman." And thank you for your support.



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Postal worker cleared of criminal charges

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — A postal worker arrested for pepper spraying a fenced-in barking dog will not be criminally prosecuted, city officials said Wednesday.

"We have conducted a careful review of the evidence gathered in this case and concluded it does not merit moving forward with prosecution," said Scottsdale City Prosecutor Ann Garriott. "The facts as we know them do not justify a misdemeanor charge."

The Aug. 28 arrest of Wayne Eugene Bates was highly publicized as the first in an enforcement effort by Maricopa

County Sheriff Joe Arpaio targeting animal cruelty.

Bates, 45, said his arrest was part of a publicity effort on Arpaio's part and he's filed a notice of intent to sue the sheriff's office for \$3 million.

The dog Bates was accused of spraying on Aug. 12 was a 2 1/2-year-old golden retriever mix that allegedly was locked behind a chain-link fence, 12 feet from the home's mail slot.

Last Tuesday, the County Attorney's Office also decided against prosecuting the letter carrier on one misdemeanor count of cruelty to animals.

Morning sunlight will beat the winter blues

CHICAGO (AP) — Scientists have come up with the best evidence yet that a concentrated dose of bright light in the morning can effectively beat the winter blues.

Sixty percent of sufferers who received such a light treatment got much better, according to one of three reports in Wednesday's issue of Archives of General Psychiatry. Another reported similar results with 55 percent of those studied.

The three studies are the largest to date of light treatment and winter depression — or seasonal affective disorder — which afflicts about 10 million Americans. The shorter amount of daylight in the winter makes some people depressed, scientists say.

"If you get light in the morning you can get better," said Charmane I. Eastman, director of the biological rhythms research laboratory at Rush-Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago.

Winter depression arrives in late autumn or early winter, creating fatigue, a craving for carbohydrates as well as weight gain, experts say. They say sufferers hate to get up, drag themselves through the day and have a hard time

working productively. They tend to avoid social activities at night.

Doctors have been using light treatment for more than a decade. After getting their diagnosis, patients sit in front of a box that generates bright light. The box often costs more than \$200.

But doctors have had a hard time proving that such a light treatment works better than merely taking a placebo.

In Eastman's study of 96 patients, 55 percent got better after light treatments in the morning, 28 after light treatments in the evening and just 16 percent with a placebo. The treatments were given for 1 1/2 hours six days per week.

Michael Terman, director of the winter depression program at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center in New York, studied 124 patients and found that 60 percent of those who received light treatments in the morning were much better.

Thirty percent of those who were treated with light in the evening improved sharply, Terman reported. He also found that treatment with a machine producing high levels of negative ions in the air also had a beneficial effect.

A third study was conducted by Dr. Al Lewy.

Library of Congress exhibit shows Freud's work on psychology and his effect on popular culture



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Sigmund Freud, noted psychologist, is the subject of a recent Library of Congress exhibit.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Leaning toward the display cases of a long-delayed exhibit on Sigmund Freud, a visitor can trace the evolution of his pioneering and still controversial exploration of the human mind.

But stand back just a step in the Library of Congress and the subject changes from Freud's work in psychoanalysis to the deep impact of his thought on popular culture.

Eleven video screens pulse with movie scenes or cartoon snippets illustrating the influence of Freud's theories: free association, transference, repression, the meaning of dreams.

One moment, the visitor can scan a handwritten Freud text outlining a psychoanalytic theory, and the next, move directly to a video clip from "The Simpsons" to watch Homer tell his daughter:

"The important thing is for your mother to repress what happened, push it deep down inside her, so she'll never annoy us again."

Emerging like a suppressed memory itself, the exhibit,

"Freud: Connect and Controversy" opens Thursday afternoon. That was widely interpreted to have resulted from complaints from Freud's modern critics that the life work of the father of psychoanalysis is severely flawed.

That's an interpretation the library firmly disputes. James Billington, the librarian of Congress, says a scarcity of money, not the wrath of critics, caused the delay.

"Actually, the controversy was something of a boon for us because the publicity that arose from the controversy attracted donors," said Jill Brett, the library's public information chief.

The exhibit includes objects loaned by the Sigmund Freud museums in London and Vienna, Austria, but draws mainly from more than 50,000 letters, documents, photographs and artifacts in the library's own Freud archive, the largest trove of Freud material in the world.

Among the items: the 1891 door plate from Freud's Vienna office, case histories of patients he dubbed the "Rat Man" and the "Wolf Man," a photograph of Freud and his sisters at their father's grave, original manuscripts and lectures and a presentation bookplate inscribed, "He who comprehended the famous riddle and is the most excellent of men."

The centerpiece is a recreation of Freud's study, including his consulting chair and a reproduction of his famous couch, covered with the antique

carpet on which patients lay to tell their stories.

"Some people will find it disturbing, some people will find it humorous, some people will find it informative," said Michael S. Roth, curator of the

show and associate director of the Getty Research Center for the History of Art and the Humanities in Los Angeles.

The Freud show drew criticism while it was still in the planning stages, mostly from people who dispute the validity

of Freud's work.

Fifty scholars and critics insisted in a 1995 petition that the exhibit be widened to "adequately reflect the full spectrum of informed opinion about the status of Freud's contribution to intellectual history."

Apple Computer Inc. reports its first profitable year since 1995



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The iMac has helped Apple Computers to get back in the black after several years of loss

CUPERTINO, Calif. (AP) — Apple Computer Inc. on Wednesday reported its first profitable fiscal year since 1995.

The computer maker said sales of its new iMAC helped it earn \$106 million in its fourth

quarter. That compares with a loss of \$161 million for the same period a year ago.

For the full fiscal year, Apple earned \$309 million vs. a loss of nearly \$1.05 billion the previous year.

"A tremendous downward

trend has now bottomed out," said Steve Jobs, Apple's co-founder and chief executive.

Shares of Apple, which initially traded higher after the news, finished the day down \$1.37 1/2, or 4 percent, to \$37.37 Nasdaq Stock Market.

The futuristic iMAC, which has a \$1,299 price tag including a monitor, has sold well since it went on the market in mid-August. Apple said it sold 278,000 iMACs in its first six weeks on the market.

"Apple is starting to get back to innovation in software, which used to be their crown jewel," said industry analyst Tim Bajarin of Creative Strategies Inc. in Campbell. "I am absolutely convinced that Steve has turned things around and you now have an Apple that is moving forward instead of moving back."

Jobs returned to the company in 1996 after an absence that lasted more than a decade. In the interim, Apple went through a series of management shakeups that saw the company lose two CEOs in two years.

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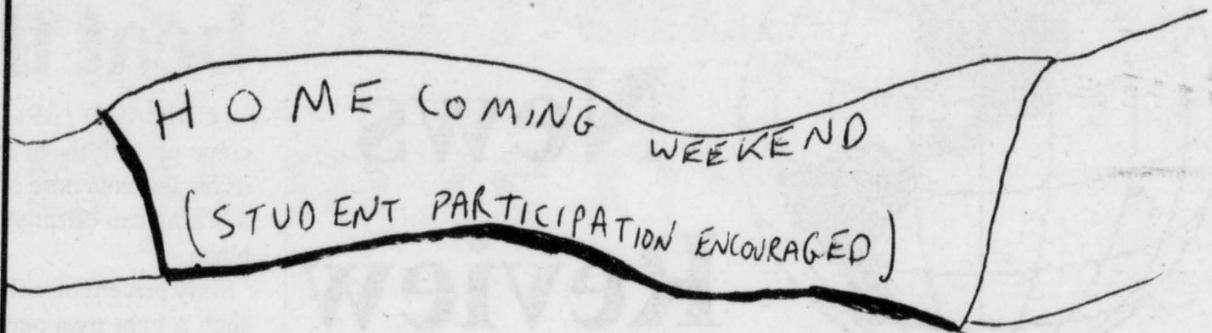
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Homecoming weekend: *Just Do It!*

This weekend, Mansfield University celebrates its homecoming. Along with the normal activities on weekends, students also have a chance to meet alumni and get to know the way MU used to be. For students, alumni can be found at the football game or various other functions during the weekend.

We, the editors at the *Flashlight* feel students should take advantage of the weekend. There will be many events for students and it is an excellent opportunity to go out and meet all kinds of people.

There are also non-university events. If you're tired of going to the same old song and dance this weekend, go somewhere off campus. Because its homecoming weekend, its a safe bet that people off campus will be celebrating as well as those on campus.

Or go to the bar and meet people there if you're 21 years old.

Just do something. This school has a wealth of options available to students. Some you might not like but something might suit your fancy.

And if money is the problem, there are events all weekend free to MU students. All students can get into the football game Saturday free with their student ID. There are other free things to do, but we don't want to bore you with details.

If you aren't the type to go out and socialize, grab a blanket and a bowl of popcorn and curl up with a copy of the *Flashlight*.

Sometimes there's nothing better than a warm fire and the latest installment of Campus Voices.

Whatever you decide, this weekend is the one weekend of the school year where students come together to show their school spirit.

Whether you attend the football game or vote for homecoming queen (or king) do it with pride.

Someday you'll return to MU as an alumnus. What do you think you'll feel like if the students are booing the football team and the only school spirit is coming from the cheerleaders when you come back.

And let's also prove the naysayers wrong by supporting our team while they compete against Kutztown University. A lot of people think students here have no unity. No spirit.

MAC responds to editorial

Dear Editors:

This has gone far enough! Your blatant lies, which The Flashlight used to misrepresent our organizations, are not only juvenile and unprofessional, but also libelous. I don't know how it works in the world The Flashlight exists in, but in the real world libel is illegal.

Your publication took up valuable space to print untruths. Where did you get your information from? Did anyone from The Flashlight bother to check with MAC or SAO before printing your Editorial, Cartoon and Student Voices? I'll answer that question for you, NO. Every poster on campus about our upcoming Circus clearly state that FREE student tickets are available in the Student Activities Office. The off campus posters have prices listed for non-students.

The Flashlight has said that MAC and SAO are "insidious and detestable" in our billing methods and we have "authorization control." If you consider offering FREE entertainment to the students of Mansfield University insidious and detestable, then we are guilty as charged. If offering membership to EVERY student is authoritarian, we plead guilty once more. Our membership is open to everyone with only one stipulation: once a student becomes a member, they are required to show up at our meetings and help out at events. That's all it

takes for any student to be a member, it's actually quite simple.

It has also been stated that most of the entertainment (sponsored by MAC and SAO) is geared toward African American students." I'll now give you a brief list of activities we have sponsored this semester, both past and upcoming. "Darien Lake" Amusement Park day-trip, Karaoke Night, Comedy Night (with two African Americans, one Caucasian), Washington, D.C. day trip, "Strange Brew" classic rock band, Casino Night, "Psychic Madman" comedy & magic show, and a Paint Ball day-trip.

We also sponsor Homecoming- nearly all of it, including the schedule for the semester includes "The Truman Show," "Armageddon," "The Mask of Zoro," and "Snake Eyes." Please feel free to enlighten the campus as to how these events are all geared toward African American students.

If you want your publication to be taken seriously, please be responsible in your reporting and check your sources before printing false information.

Thank you,

MAC

Rachelle Harley, Erika Parrish, Kenyatta Phillips,
Bryan Murphy, Meeka Outlaw, Cindy Albano

Note: Don't read this rebuttal

Dear MAC,

We at the Flashlight are confused by your letter. Your arguments are thin, based on faulty assumptions and are not clear. We will respond to your letter because we feel you are responsible for your words and you should be held accountable.

Your first assertion is that we are guilty of "blatant lies." Blatant lies? We did not distort the information provided to us. We acted in good faith on information provided to us by the MAC and SAO offices in the form of an advertisement.

The goal of our editorial is to discuss issues and encourage discussion on topics we deem important. You assert that our opinion is juvenile and unprofessional and yet students at this university can now go to the circus confident that the activity fee paid at the beginning of the semester paid for the price charged at the door.

Our editorial was a catalyst for change among students at MU and any of them who are going this weekend for free are only attending for free because we wrote that editorial.

We have several forms of media, including the University web page, posters, radio station ads, newspaper advertisements and actual tickets. These are all immediately accessible to MU students, but fail to mention that the circus is free. If we cannot determine that the circus is free for students, how can average students ever know they need not pay the six dollars being charged? Posters displayed in off campus locations that fail to mention "Students free" also fail to consider off campus students who might not go to the basement of Manser to read the one sign that says "Students Free" in their brief time on campus.

The assertion that MAC provides "free entertainment to the students of Mansfield University" is also misleading. Students pay an activities fee at the beginning of the semester covering the cost of these events. Just because they don't shell out more money at the door doesn't mean they didn't pay for it two months ago.

You also encourage us to "feel free to enlighten the campus" but fail to mention how we can do that when signs encourage students not to listen to the Flashlight. As foolish and wasteful as many of the recent MAC events have been, we never once encouraged students to stay away from an event and, in many cases we encouraged participation. Signs like those posted this week are childish, from-the-hip reactions that, after a few minutes of thinking, should have dissipated in the mind of a college student.

Finally, Darren A. Meehan's commentary ("Campus needs diversity in entertainment") reflects the opinion of one person. It is not intended to represent the opinion of the newspaper.

We are disappointed by your behavior and demand that you reexamine the facts and apologize for the comments made in this letter.

Note: The first five students who contact any member of the editorial board and who prepaid for tickets can redeem one a piece for cash in the Flashlight office. Call 662-4986 for details or talk to an editor.

Commentary

Note: Don't read this commentary either

by **Darren A. Meehan**
co editor

Now that we have the circus in town this weekend, it's time for MAC and SAO to plan the next event.

Why do I say MAC and SAO? Because last year's budget allocations that MAC usually receives went to SAO so they could be the grand overlord of MAC.

I have some suggestions.

How about a Barney, the purple dinosaur, spectacle complete with the Rugrats and the Smurfs.

It would be great. We could have Barney join forces with the Smurfs to stop Gargamel and his dastardly orange cat Azrael. The Rugrats would be involved but they would only eat the Smurfs' mushroom houses.

And next week there will be some kind of lame ass movie with one

of the Baldwins and Suzanne Sommers and it will be a hoot and it will be a great way to spend your money.

We should try to make this year's concert Dead or Alive. No, they're not a revival of Bon Jovi but the original band who sang "Right Round (You spin me)". It should be a pretty good time.

Let's also push for some movies. Not the kind that students want to see, but what some studio says is good. Yeah, and then we'll all sit in a circle and let a leper give us a hickey while we watch Yentl 2.

What a barrel of laughs that's gonna be. I can hardly wait to zone out while my skin peels off.

We can also have some field trips. Let's go to the birthplace of the zipper and maybe spend an afternoon meeting the woman who rewrote the book on cows.

And then we'll come back to

MU and have a night of reflection. We'll look back on our day and be happy because we had so much fun doing something others thought we would have fun doing.

And then we'll come back to reality and realize that the people who pick our entertainment aren't entertaining us but putting us to sleep.

Instead of rave night at Z-Bar we'll have slumber party night. We'll all fall asleep as the powers-that-be count the money they forcefully took from us.

When the Flashlight wanted to change the comic strip, we gave the students a choice. We realized the stuff we were running sucked and we changed it.

We got together a short list of options and offered them to the students for a vote. The students spoke and the comic is changed. In case you don't know, the old comic was called *Leold* and it was dumber than watching a televangelist cracking zingers and as-

sorted one liners.

Leold is gone and we're trying again with something else. If MAC has participation problems and can't figure out what the students want, ask them. SGA asks students for input with their question and answer sessions. The Flashlight asks students for input through our open commentary and letter to the editor policy.

MAC needs to realize that students might not join but want to be involved. It's still their money whether they go to their meetings or not.

I've seen students approach SGA senators and make suggestions and I have been approached about changing this newspaper.

I guess the logical thing for students unhappy with MAC to do is talk to them. Suggest changes and see what happens. Until then, meet me tomorrow at the SAO/MAC sponsored "Sing Along Songs with Belle and Pocahontas On Ice" night at the Hut.

Deadline for appropriations moved due to possible impeachment

by **Walter Mears**
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Meanwhile, there's still a government to be financed.

Most years, the end-of-session struggle between Congress and President Clinton over spending, priorities and policies would be the dominant topic inside the Capital Beltway. Not this year, with impeachment deliberations unfolding on a timetable matching the deadline for appropriations, which already has passed once, and almost certainly will be moved again.

After all, appropriations are annual decisions. The impeachment inquiry against Clinton is only the third in American history. The money measures that have to be passed, sometime, are mundane by comparison.

But Clinton and the Democratic leaders of the House and Senate tried to put the punch back in the budget debate Monday, with veto threats and the suggestion that there might be a replay of government agency shutdowns for lack of appropriations the Republican Congress hasn't passed.

"This is the worst Congress that has ever sat in the United States Capitol," said Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri, the House minority leader. He said it has achieved less than any Congress, ever before.

Gephardt accused the Republicans of playing "show down politics over a government shutdown."

"No one will be to blame but the Republican leadership if that were to happen," said Sen. Tom

Daschle of South Dakota, who earlier had said that it wouldn't because both sides knew it would be disastrous.

It last happened in 1995 and early 1996, after Clinton and the newly Republican Congress deadlocked over budget terms and the president vetoed resolutions to finance federal agencies for which appropriations had not been approved. Arguing that the Republicans had intentionally forced him to it, he won the dispute and with it an issue for his re-election campaign.

Given that history, House Republicans already had talked of strategy to avoid shutdowns or blame. Speaker Newt Gingrich said they were committed to passing appropriations resolutions, short-term or until after the Nov. 3 elections, to keep government agencies open.

"There will be no excuse given from the Congress to close the government," Gingrich said.

Sen. Trent Lott, the majority leader, sought to preempt the issue in a television appearance on Sunday when he said he had been told by someone in the White House he wouldn't say who that if government shutdowns would be to Clinton's political advantage, they'd do it.

"While that may have made good television, it wasn't an accurate statement," Joe Lockhart, Clinton's new chief spokesman, said Monday. "We believe that no one wins if the government shuts down."

But Clinton loses if the Republicans force him to accept their spending terms and policy riders on issues including abortion, the environment and the way

the 2000 census is to be conducted.

That has led to veto threats against seven of the nine appropriations bills still to be completed by Congress. At least five of them will be lumped together into one giant appropriations measure. It will have to be fashioned with compromises palatable enough to Republicans to get the measure passed, while avoiding points on which Clinton has threatened vetoes.

Only one appropriation was completed when the budget year began on Oct. 1, so Congress extended the deadline for nine days, until midnight Friday.

The Republican House also plans to vote this week on a full impeachment investigation of Clinton in the Lewinsky affair and possibly other points, with public hearings after the Nov. 3 elections.

Against that agenda, Clinton staked his own, centered on the spending debates. "Time is running short," he said. "Congress has important work to do. Pass the necessary spending bills to keep the government running."

And on his terms, with more money for education, with appropriations for international lending in the world economic crisis and without provisions that gut environmental protection policies.

"These are the priorities of the American people," Clinton said. He said his are powerful issues, in stark contrast to "the evident priorities" of the Republicans.

Meaning, presumably, the word left unspoken.

Impeachment.

Two commentaries on issues facing local areas in the United States

associated press

The (Myrtle Beach) Sun News on the need to create a tax policy in the state, Sept. 30:

First, it was Gov. David Beasley who wanted to end income taxes for senior citizens. Now, it is Jim Hodges, the Democratic opponent to Beasley, who wants to create the same \$65 million cut in South Carolina taxes.

No to both of them, until this state gets its counting houses in order.

First ask: How does this proposal fit with the state's overall tax policy: There isn't one. And is there any policy that is derived from comparative taxation statistics in other states? This state has no idea how such a seniors tax cut would play out in the long run, who

it would help and who it would hurt. ...

State Sen. John Courson, R-Columbia, his party's candidate for state comptroller general, wants to call a tax summit to restructure the money-raising of state and local governments. Courson cites the state's car tax, the third-highest in the nation, and his opponent, Sen. Jim Lander, D-Newberry, argues for reform of state taxes.

They are more on target than either Beasley or Hodges, both of whom are plowing fertile tax land for votes. No tax changes should be made until this state figures out where it is and where it ought to be going in tax policy. ...

But an independent commission of a combination of those and others might be able to hasten a tax policy. The dangers lie in partisanship, as witness a House-Senate committee on tax

policy that bogged down about choosing a chairman.

Stop the snippets of tax cuts, and build a tax policy as free of partisan sniping as possible.

The Beaufort Gazette on a businessman's road signs knocking Gov. David Beasley, Sept. 30:

It's little wonder that drivers on South Carolina's U.S. and interstate highways speed. The state has a reputation as a country bumpkin. That's evident from a billboard a Jasper County businessman erected.

"Gov. David Beasley welkums you too South Carolina. We be gots de wurstest skools in de United State. We bees numbuh 50th." Of course that is cleaning up the sign a bit. Many letters are written backwards. They're similar to the ones in "Snuffy Smith," the comic

strip.

If this is supposed to be humor, it is not funny. The purpose of the sign is to knock Beasley's stance opposing video poker. Henry Ingram, the Jasper businessman who erected the sign and plans to pull it all over South Carolina, also makes a lot of money from video poker casinos along the South Carolina-Georgia state lines. ...

Blasting the governor in an election year is politics. The image he gives students, teachers and taxpayers — all South Carolinians also says a lot about his priorities. He probably doesn't care as much for education or the state as he does about preserving video poker, which makes him a lot of money. South Carolinians, especially Lowcountry residents, should take that to heart.

THE Flashlight PRESENTS:

The Features Page!

Welcome home Alumni; please excuse the mess

by Matthew D. Noldy
joint features writer

On behalf of the *Flashlight* I would like to give a hearty welcome to the alumni who have made the pilgrimage back to their promised land and their glory days: Mansfield University. Memories of college are different for many people. For some it was a retreat from home. For others a chance to start over and be someone else. Some shattered their innocence like a crashing wave on the shore. A chance to grow, a

chance to learn and a chance to become a little better than you were before- College.

I wonder what some of the alumni will think when they pull into our fair little town? Things have changed; Mansfield has slowly gotten more comfortable with the changing times. Formerly a dry community, Mansfield boasts a fine watering hole in Mark's Brother's and the new found convenience of a gas station/food mart that is open after eight o'clock. My how our town has grown. As a sixth year senior (Yes, my parents still love me!) I have

gotten to see many of the changes in Mansfield first hand over that time.

I also wonder what our alumni will think when they take that turn up Route 6 and are greeted by the mess that some civic engineering genius has created at the entrance to our school? Who plans these things? People there must be a better way for all of us to get coordinated?! It just surprises me that the corner of campus, at Academy St. and Route 6, has been in it's prior condition for the six previous years I spoke of. And right now, right as hundreds of alumni plan to come into our little town and come back

on our campus and shower both with financial contributions? For crying out loud we have a theatre production going on in the same area! What is going on? Start construction like this on Monday, when both Homecoming and the play have concluded and campus is back to it's normal self? As it is, this looks like a Bosnian war zone. Flags marking lands? - watch your step!

At least somebody put out the trusty old plywood sign:

"WELCOME ALUMNI."

We know you're glad to see us and we are too but this couldn't wait.

You would think Chicago could try to provide a good time

by Josh Cusatis
oh, bloody heck

This wasn't the first time that we were able to go to some far off city for a weekend. We were always pooling our money from whatever we would pawn in the name of adventure, hop in the dilapidated, old car and kiss ourselves to the wind. It was a nice way to find a calm breeze among the trials and tribulations of everyday life. Call in sick with something nasty that could last for a couple of days and we were off. Usually, we gave ourselves about four hours notice to get ready when the urge hit us that we needed to get away. So, the trips never really went off without a hitch. Problem was, we never knew what the hitch was until it was right on us.

Our hearts didn't lead us too far this time. It was Halloween weekend and we had found ourselves in the very heart of Chicago without any idea of what our possibilities were for the evening. I had never been to Chicago and the good Doctor (That wasn't really his name but he made us call him that because he felt it lent him an air of importance and it was funny.) and Thea were just a clue less as I was about how to have a good time in the city that had once tried to be New York. It came close but still failed.

We spent most of the day sitting in the hotel room eating, watching movies and planning out how much fun we were going to have that night in the city. Nothing out of the ordinary. After long trips we needed some time to recuperate and when the sun was up, that was just fine with us. We had about a case and a half of beer and half a bottle of rum left over from last night which we had gotten upon our arrival to Chicago. For lack of anything better to do we cracked into the alcohol and damn near finished it before the sun went down. The good Doctor had brought along his usual amount of medicines that would ensure we could all have the time of our lives. He kept giving prescriptions to Thea and myself throughout the afternoon (Morning hadn't been much different either) and would insist on "medicating" us with his careful supervision. He really went out of his way to make us feel at home even if he didn't.

The good Doctor was about to go crazy if he was going to have to spend one more minute in the hotel after nightfall. So, in an attempt to keep him from jumping out the 15th story window of our room, Thea and I got ready to go out. Under the good Doctor's careful eye, we took his advice and mentally prepared ourselves one more time for the night that lay ahead with his medications.

He wouldn't have actually tried to jump out of the window but he would have incessantly talked about it for the rest of the night. Stifling situations that involved too much boredom, like the hotel room, re-

ally weren't his bag. He would yell and scream as violently as he could until everyone was ready to do the same thing he was wanting to do anyway. After awhile, it became easier to tune him out and if you were bold enough to yell back at him once in awhile he would tone it down. I think it was because he would then finally realize that it was pissing us off. That was our last resort to dealing with him. He was a great guy to have around and was an extremely loyal friend and it couldn't have been the same without him. You just had to be able to navigate around his quirks.

Thea and I did realize that the good Doctor was right though. This was our first time in Chicago and we needed to go out and get into trouble because we had to take stories back with us. We always took stories back with us. If we didn't, our friends would get mad that we hadn't lived up our end of the bargain. What bargain that was, I had no idea.

When we made it to the sidewalk in front of the hotel and the shock of the Windy City air hit us as if we were jumping into a pool for the first time of the season. At this point, we finally realized that we had no idea where people went in Chicago to have a good time on a Saturday night. Every city had a place that was the night life center like Union St. in San Francisco or South St. in Philadelphia. But here we were completely out of our element. It was decided that we might try walking around for a little while and try to figure out where all the people seemed to congregate.

As we walked, Thea would skirt the edges of cracking because she was freaking out at the sight of any person that looked off their rocker to her. And to Thea, everyone looked like a mental case especially after a visit from the good Doctor.

"Oh, Christ! That woman's out to get us! Quick, walk a little faster," she would chuckle

"Oh, Christ. She's out to get us! Faster!"

Funny thing about Chicago, there is no night spot! We spent three nights looking for this place - walking around, asking cabbies. But no body had any idea what in the hell we were talking about. I was beginning to wonder if the three of us were some sort of aliens and had no idea. So, out of desperation, we gave in and settled for the first respectable looking bar we could find. Essentially, we were looking for something that was cheap and had a lot of people. This wasn't much easier.

The good Doctor was beginning to get aggravated at the whole situation because if he didn't get

any alcohol soon he would have to go back to the hotel for his next dose and by then the evening would be ruined. He was verbalizing his discontent, quiet loudly, in the middle of street. His soliloquy involved a fair amount of four-letter words and the antagonization of several innocent passers by. Thea couldn't have been having a better time. She always thought the good Doctor's snaps were quite the social commentary. My feet were starting to hurt and I really wanted a beer.

So, when we finally did find a suitable bar we had nothing to talk about. Not that we really needed to talk. We had known each other for long enough to know that these silences would happen and we could deal with them. We just simply sat back and drank like there was no tomorrow. It sounds sad but at least we could talk to each other if we felt there was a need to. With our front window table, we had the best seats in the house to watch the people both on the street and in the bar. Outside, couples were fighting (It's always funny to make up the dialogue yourself) and prostitutes were earning their rent. Inside, college-age Neanderthals and models-of-the-year were acting like idiots to the tune of AC/DC. All we had to do was sit back and watch. For us it was like TV. Just imagine everything you're seeing is on a screen, add in the dialogue and poof! You have the next meal for the Neilsons. It's really quite amusing.

So the nine pitchers that we went through went quickly. There was a great feeling of contentment between the three of us as we slinked back in our seats and enjoyed the knowledge that we really had no idea how much alcohol nine pitchers of beer really is.

Come 3 o'clock, we still had the desire for more alcohol and TV. I end up standing on the street in front of the bar trying not to vomit while Thea is hitting up the bartender for an after-hours bar. The good Doctor was always smart enough to be standing off in the shadows like a Mafia hit man should anything happen to her.

She exited the bar with an air of self confidence that she had gotten the information she wanted. It was now time to find the place.

"It's just around the block," she confided.

But around the block there was nothing but the gloom and doom of a place that we shouldn't have been in. At any time our lives could have been ended by any number of things. So, we beat a hasty retreat around the block and grabbed a cab bound for the hotel.

To be completely honest, I have no recollection of anything on the ride back to the hotel. Nor do I remember anything happening back at the hotel. I'm not sure that I would really want to remember anything that happened after that point. I knew these situations for the three of us all to well and they were never all that memorable.

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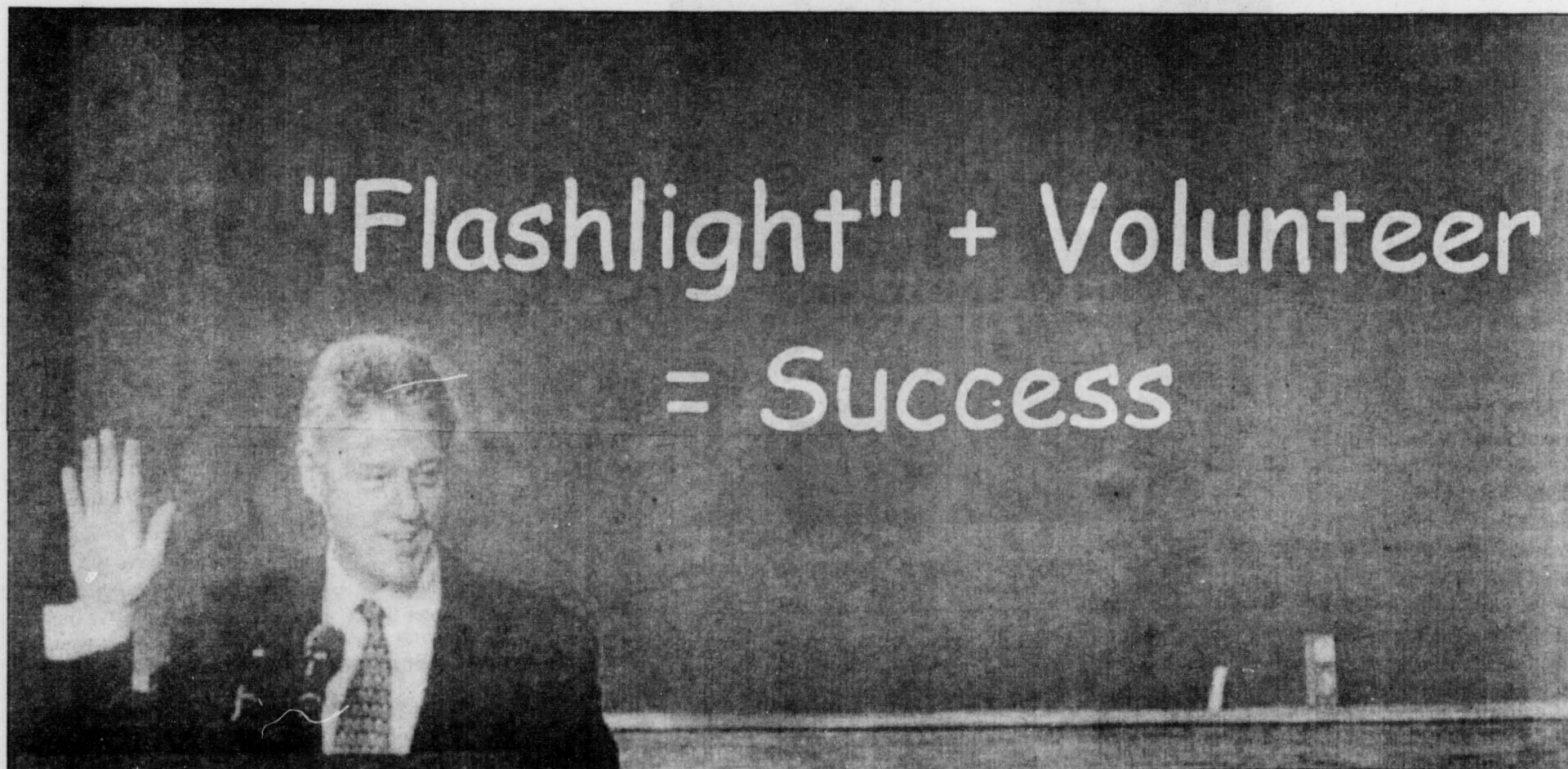
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Even the Prez suggests joining the Flashlight. It gives you real
world skills that may come in handy someday if the Asian mar-
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to the depths of a recession

Meetings: Mondays at 4:30pm in 217 Memorial Hall.

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The Flashlight

Friday Feb. 9, 1998

Mounties pick up another win, fall to LHU

by Jason Feather
sports writer

The Mansfield University field hockey team split two games this past week against Mercyhurst College and nationally ranked Lock Haven University.

In their first contest against Mercyhurst, the Mountaineers scored quickly on Jamie Hufcutt's second goal of the season at the 33:14 mark on an assist from Christy Sunchych and Michelle Rohrer. Just over six minutes later, Hufcutt added her second goal of the game, the eventual game winner. Misty Drasher and Kristen Dunton were credited with the assists on the score.

Mercyhurst got on the board at the halfway point

of the first period to cut the Mountaineers lead to 2-1. But, Sunchych added an insurance goal in the second half at the 22:53 mark to insure the Mountaineers victory, 3-1. Sophomore Kelly Gettel earned the assist on the Sunchych tally.

With that first win under their belt, the Mounties improved to 3-7 overall on their season.

The Mountaineers fought hard in their second game of the week but came up just short of Lock Haven University. Lock Haven is ranked fourth overall in Division II and first in the South Region.

The Mountaineers fell 3-2 against the Bald Eagles despite a valiant effort.

The Mountaineers defense was solid throughout most

of the game, while allowing the high powered Lock Haven offense to just three goals. Junior goalie Jenn Manton fought off 41 Lock Haven shots, making 22 saves on the afternoon for the Mountaineers.

Mansfield fell behind in the first half at the 26:24 mark when the Bald Eagles managed their first score of the game. The Mounties fought back to tie the score before the half when sophomore Kristen Dunton scored on a Hufcutt assists with just 3:24 left before the break.

The Mounties did manage to fight back and pull ahead by one when Maria Disanto tipped in a goal. Lock Haven managed to tie the score and then pull ahead late in the second half to gain the victory.



photo provided
Jamie Hufcutt (19) scored the goal ahead goal for the Mounties in their game with Lock Haven.

Mounties lose to K-town, face WCU in homecoming

special to the Flashlight

The Mounties come into their homecoming game this year with a six game losing streak to take on Kutztown.

The Mountaineers gained 333 yards in total offense at West Chester, but were plagued by turnovers and penalties when they reached WCU territory. Mansfield was inside the West Chester 30 yard line seven times but failed to score.

Last week, Kutztown snapped a two game losing skid with a 42-22 win over Cheyney.

The Mountaineers were held to their lowest offensive output of the season gaining 197 yards in total offense and just 35 through the air.

The Mountaineers may be 0-6 on the season, but they have been an improved team over the past two years. MU has dropped one game by six points and lost another in OT by a touchdown this season. Mansfield played well against Millersville, which was NCAA Division II's top offensive team coming into the game.

The Mountaineers have shown an ability to move the ball this season, especially through the air where they rank fifth in the PSAC in pass offense averaging 193.7 yards per game. Junior quarterback Lucas Smith has completed 94-of-218 passes for 1,114 yards and six touchdowns, but has thrown a conference high 15 interceptions.

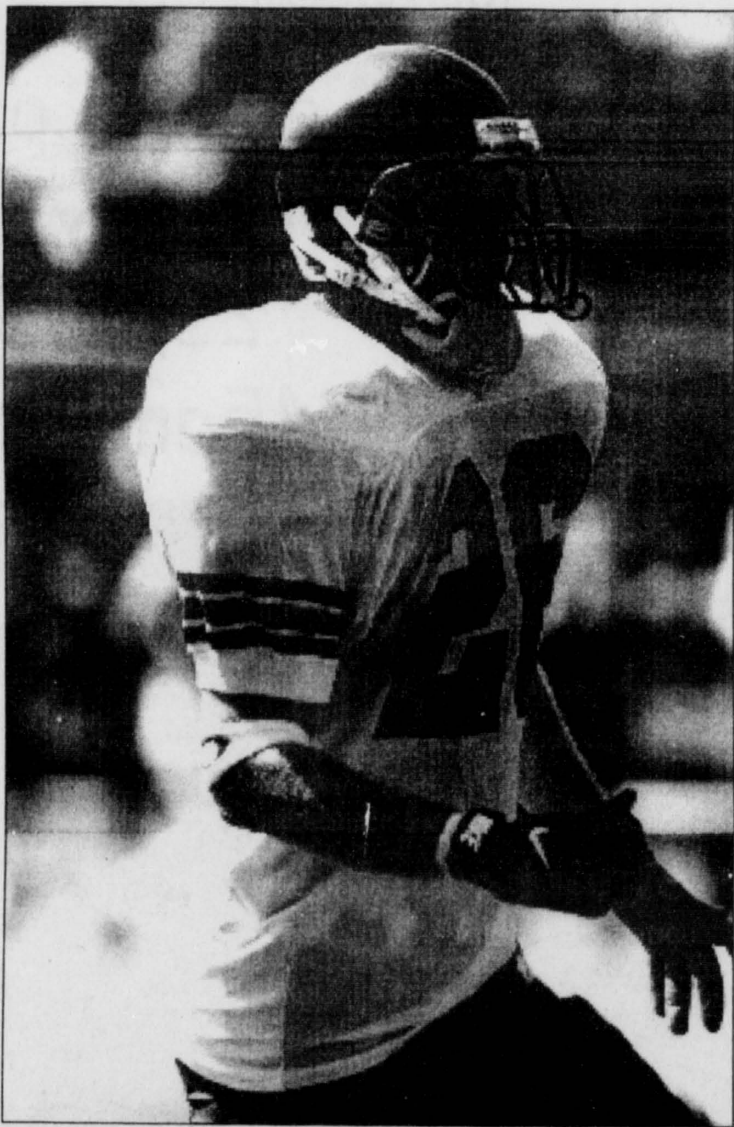


photo by Thad Woodward

Senior safety Matt Hanley not only leads the Mounties in tackles, he also leads the PSAC in punting.

In three years, Smith has passed for 4,171 yards to become just the fourth player in school history to reach the 4,000 yard milestone. He ranks third in the conference in total offense averaging 210.8 yards per game including a conference quarterback high of 151 yards on the ground.

Senior Nate Davis is

expected back in the lineup after sitting out the last six quarters with an ankle injury. Davis ranks among the conference leaders in pass receptions with 26 catches for 328 yards and two touchdowns.

Junior tight end Bob Woodward has been the hot receiver of late for the Mountaineers with 21 grabs for 238 yards

and two TD's. Senior wide out Pete Herchik has 15 catches for 179 yards.

Junior Lee Brannon has been the mainstay of the rushing attack. His 468 yards on the ground represent more than half of the team total. Brannon does have a huge front line to run behind anchored by senior guard Eric Chandler at 6-8, 379 and tackle Mark Bristol at 6-6, 300.

For the first time all season, the MU defense is back to full strength. Although ranked 13th in the conference allowing 449.2 yards per game in total offense, the defense has improved with the seasoning of the young secondary.

Junior middle linebacker Jim Ludwig ranks among the conference leaders with 45 tackles, including 30 solo and for a loss.

Senior defensive back Matt Hanley has 32 stops with vastly improved freshman Ian Cooper is credited with 29 tackles and a team best two interceptions. Jon Johnson, Matt Vance, and Gabe Kamarousky have 22 tackles each.

Hanley also moved to the top of the MU career punt yardage list with 8,462 in his

career.

Kutztown has the top rushing offense in the PSAC averaging 238.6 yards per game and are third in total offense at 415.8 yard per outing.

Emneko Sweeney is second in the PSAC in rushing, averaging 129.6 yards per game and is also the team's leading receiver.

Freshman quarterback Mike De Marteleire has been steady completing 67-of-129 passes for 869 yards and six touchdowns while throwing just three interceptions.

The defense is solid behind junior linebacker Terrence Miles with a team best 47 tackles.

The game marks the third straight week the Mountaineers have faced one of the top three offense's in the PSAC.

After having to deal with the top two passing teams in the PSAC over the past two weeks, the Mountaineers will try to contain the running game of the Golden Bears.

At the same time the MU offense needs to score points when they have the opportunity and not turn the ball over as much as they have during the first half of the season.

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Dr. John Heaps, left, stands with his son during Heap's coaching career.

Press box dedicated to long time MU coach

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University and the Mountaineer baseball program will dedicate its newly constructed press box in honor of former Mansfield Head Coach Dr. John Heaps in ceremonies at Shaute Field this Saturday. The dedication ceremony will take place at 4:0 p.m. as part of Homecoming weekend.

The press box is a state of the art facility that included a press area for working print media as well as to radio booths. The bottom of the press box will serve as the storage area for the team.

The head baseball coach for the Mountaineers from 1966-1983, Heaps is credited with developing Mansfield into one of the top collegiate baseball programs.

Heaps directed the Mounties to three PSAC East Crowns and to the PSAC Champions in 1970 and

1976. Over the span of his tenure, Heaps would build an organization that would be nationally recognized into one of the best squads in the country.

Heaps's record of 287-187 is still one of the top marks among PSAC baseball coaches prior to Heaps taking over the helm at Mansfield in 1966. Mansfield had not posted a winning season in four years. Heaps immediately infused life into the program by adding trips south in the spring, fall practice and aggressive recruiting.

The results of his dedication came quickly. The Mounties won the PSAC East title in 1972 and the ECAC South Championship in 1975. Mansfield repeated as champs in 1976 and captured another PSAC conference championship. That team included Heaps son.

Everything came together for Heaps in 1979.

That team posted a 26-10 record and won the PSAC title. They made it of the Division III World Series tournament.

MU runners sweep firsts at BBC

special to the Flashlight

The Mansfield University Men's and Women's Cross Country Team have been overpowering their competition this season. Last week's tri-meet at Baptist Bible College was no exception.

For the men, sophomore sensation and Hornell resident Todd Stewart racked up another first place finish, running the course in 28.01, 32 seconds faster than the second place finisher.

The only other top ten finishers for the Mounties in the field of 17 were Gary Keim who finished third with a time of 29.38, and Jeremy Allen who took eighth place with a time of 31.39.

Overall, the men's team placed second in point standings, behind Baptist Bible College, but finished ahead of the other competing school, Marywood College.

The Mansfield Women's Cross Country Team had one of their best performances in recent history today, making a sweep of the top five spots at the BBC Invitational.

Sophomore Brianne Liddick of Elmira Southside led the pack of Mounties, taking first place with a time of 20.01.

Close behind her, freshman powerhouse Catherine Deithorn continued to impress her peers by taking the second place spot with a time

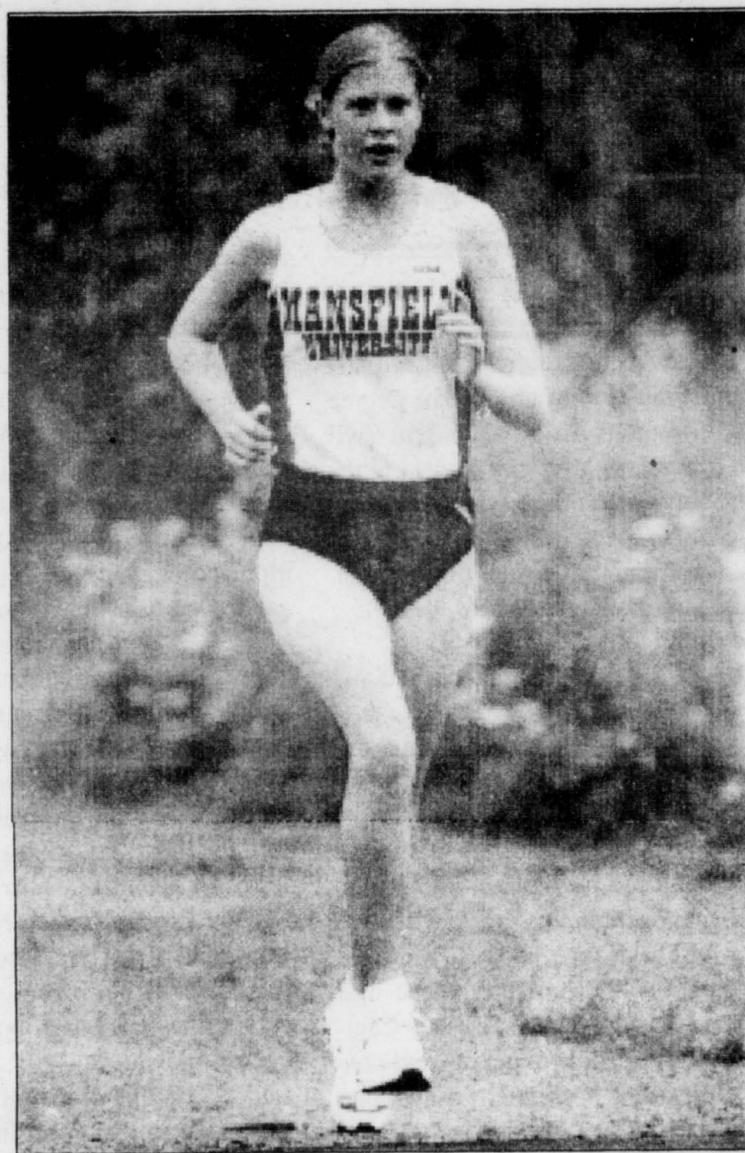


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Brianne Liddick led the Mounties to a win at the Baptist Bible Invitational by finishing with a time of 20.01.

of 20.19. Coming in third was junior Colleen Ryder (20.37), fourth went to sophomore Kristen Clark (20.49), and finishing fifth place was Elmira Southside graduate Kelly Maines with a time of 21.08.

The taking of the first five spots gave the Mounties an

overwhelming first place finish in front of BBC and Marywood College.

The Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams travel next Saturday to the University of Pitt-Bradford where they will once again look to dominate the competition.

Yankees just one big happy family

from the AP

(AP) — While George Steinbrenner may have the reputation of a meddling owner, there are two people "The Boss" leaves alone: Joe Torre and Bill Mott.

Most people know Torre guided Steinbrenner's New York Yankees to a World Series crown in 1996 and the American League pennant on Tuesday night.

Mott might not be as familiar. He's a member of the thoroughbred Hall of Famer who trains horses for Steinbrenner, and he'll be under the watchful eyes of The Boss on Friday night when Concerto runs in the \$500,000 Meadowlands Cup on the eve of this year's World Series.

ries.

"I very seldom get to talk to him he's so busy," Steinbrenner said Wednesday of working with Mott. "I don't tell him and Torre. They are separate. I stay away from them."

A big reason Steinbrenner leaves them alone is they are successful, and there is a good chance that will continue for Mott on Friday in the Grade I race for 3-year-olds and up.

Concerto, who scored an impressive front-running victory in the Brandywine Handicap at Delaware Park on Oct. 3, has been made the 7-2 second choice in the field of nine that was entered for the 1 1/8-mile race.

A 4-year-old colt by Chief's Crown, Concerto has a victory and a second in his last two

starts. Herberto Castillo is listed to ride the colt, who drew the No. 7 post position.

"This horse is a good little horse," Steinbrenner said of Concerto, who has career earnings of \$1.24 million with nine victories in 19 starts. "He's a trier and he'll give a good account of himself, but there are a lot good horses in here and good trainers. We'll show up, that's about all I can say."

Steinbrenner owns about 20 horses and he joked about them on the day after the Yankees beat Cleveland to win the pennant.

"I know we had about 20 of them on the Stadium field," Steinbrenner said of the post-game celebration. "I recognized a lot of those horses that the policemen were riding."

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Special Report Hate

Candlelight vigil planned

associated press

SANTA FE (AP) — Robert Adams was among about 150 people who turned out for a candlelight vigil held in memory of a gay student at the University of Wyoming who was beaten to death.

Adams, a 21-year-old gay man, spoke Tuesday night of how the killing made him feel.

"My first thought was, it could have been me," he said.

Adams said in the past and still today he endures harassment and prejudice for being gay.

But he said: "We will survive and we will survive without fear. This is our fight. We're in this together."

The death Monday of Matthew Shepard, also 21, prompted those who attended the vigil outside the state Capitol to call for people to get out and vote for politicians who will pass a hate crimes law in New Mexico.

Police in Wyoming said Shepard was beaten last week by two other students who tied him to a fence and left him overnight in near-freezing weather.

"We are just outraged," said Wanda Padilla, president of the NAACP

in Santa Fe. "I am personally outraged. No one should have to (endure) terror and fear because of who they choose to love. There should be no shame in that."

State Sen. Pauline Eisenstadt, D-Corralles, said earlier Tuesday that she has drafted a bill that would allow stiffer penalties to be imposed for crimes that target victims because of their race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation or disability.

"I have been requested to carry this legislation by the Anti-Defamation League and others," Eisenstadt said. "We have pursued it in the past and Governor (Gary) Johnson has vetoed it."

She said she planned to introduce the bill in the 1999 session, which begins in January.

Linda Siegle of New Mexico's Stop Hate Coalition also said earlier Tuesday that her group was going to work with whatever groups it can to get legislation passed.

"What distinguishes a hate crime is the intent of hurting somebody or their property just because of who they are," she said. "And the impact of a hate crime goes beyond the victim, it goes to the whole community that that victim is part of. I mean, the gay people in Wyoming are just terrified that they're going to be next."



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The Klu Klux Klan is responsible for many of the hate oriented crimes that occur in the United States every year.

Religious leaders in California call for hate-crime laws

associated press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Religious leaders in Southern California joined Wednesday to echo President Clinton's call for immediate congressional approval of legislation making it easier for federal prosecution of hate crimes against homosexuals.

The demonstration outside the downtown federal building was prompted by Monday's death of gay University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard, 21, who died five days after he was found pistol-whipped and lashed to a fence post in near-freezing temperatures outside Laramie, Wyo.

"How in the name of God can we stop this? What in the name of God brings on such brutality?" asked Bishop Frederick H. Borsch of the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles.

"The message has been heard loud and clear: that it is not safe to be

lesbian, gay or bisexual. There is a whole new generation of haters being raised up," said the Rev. Frank Wulf, a minister at the University of California, Los Angeles.

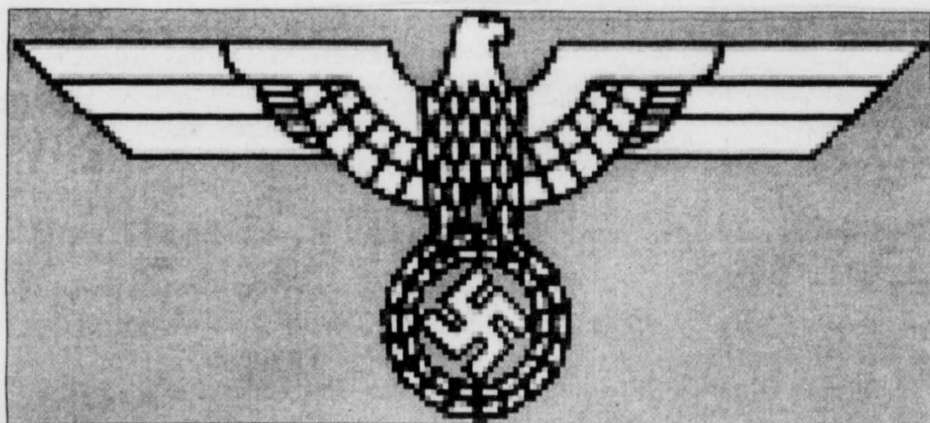
The Rev. Petra Verwijns of the University of California, Riverside, said gay students have been "incredibly fearful" since the Wyoming beating death.

"They feel like they've lost a peer, and they think it could easily have been them," she said.

They were among some 40 religious leaders urging congressional approval of hate crime legislation.

On Monday, Clinton condemned the killing, saying "crimes of hate and crimes of violence cannot be tolerated in our country." The president called on Congress anew, even as it rushes to adjourn this week, to pass a hate crime law.

"Hate and prejudice are not American values," Clinton said.



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The Nazi Party is one of the largest hate oriented organizations currently active in the United States.

National organization calls for swift pass of Hate Crime Prevention Act

associated press

BALTIMORE (AP) — Kweisi Mfume, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, renewed his call Tuesday for

Congress to swiftly pass the Hate Crime Prevention Act.

Mfume's call comes after Matthew Shepard's death in Laramie, Wyoming. The 21-year-old University of Wyoming student was pistol-whipped, tied to a post and left for dead. Authori-

ties said the culprits were two men whom Shepard told he was gay.

Mfume said the legislation must be passed because hate still is a "destructive force" in America.

The measure sets penalties for people who injure others based on race,

color, sexual orientation or national origin.

Mfume first asked Congress to pass the act in June after the dragging death of James Byrd Junior in Jasper, Texas. Byrd was black.

Calender

Friday, Oct. 16

8 pm - Homecoming pep rally.

8 pm - Gershwin Jazz Concert in Steadman Theatre.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Visitation Day.

Homecoming.

10:30 am - Cross Country away at University of Pittsburgh - Bradford.

11 am - Eighth Annual

Alumni Softball Game in Lutes Field.

1 pm - Field Hockey at home vs. Slippery Rock University.

1 pm - Football at home vs. Kutztown University.

7 pm - Billy Martin's All Star Circus in Decker Gym.

Swimming away at Wells College.

Sunday, Oct. 18

8 pm - MAC Movie: "The Mask of Zorro."

Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

1 pm - Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center, Memorial Hall.

Field Hockey away at Kutztown University.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

11:45 am - 5:45 pm - Red Cross Blood Drive in Laurel Lounge.

3 pm - Field Hockey away at Kutztown University.

4 pm - "Student Journalism in the New Millennium: The Battle for Press Freedom Continues." North Manser Dining Hall.

Thursday, Oct. 22

1 pm - International Discussion Hour in MLK Center, Memorial Hall.

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Mansfield President addresses renovations

by Darren A Meehan
co-editor

Mansfield University President John Halstead introduced proposed changes to the campus infrastructure during his first "Thematic Town Meeting" Monday morning in Steadman Theatre.

Halstead said each meeting is intended to "focus on a specific topic important to the future of Mansfield University."

Halstead plans more meetings

in the near future to address other issues.

"I should also note that there will be follow-up 'Thematic Town Meetings' on enrollment goals, fund raising efforts, student life issues and the budget process," he said.

Included in the presentation were predictions on the cost and estimated time of completion.

"For the academic facilities, we are looking at \$21 million in campus improvements to be funded from Capital Appropriations, System Bond Funds and Auxiliary Bond Funds with completion anticipated by about the year 2002," he said.

Halstead also mentioned a proposed change in traffic patterns on campus, and noticed the change as an improvement including a mall in places where cars currently drive on campus.

"A very positive feature will be the creation of an 'Academic Mall' providing a safer and more pedestrian campus—an area which will mirror the Student/South Hall Mall" on the other side of North hall," he said.

After Halstead's opening comments, he introduced Vice President of Administration and Finance Bill Yost, who outlined changes to building on campus including Belknap and Retan

Centers as well as a proposed parking garage where the former Recreation Center now stands.

Yost described the reformation of Belknap and Retan into one unified super building after a "complete renovation" of the facilities including a "restoration of the heating and mechanical systems" has been accomplished.

He estimated the cost of the of work to be done on Belknap and Retan to be around 4.8 million dollars. The cost of demolishing the old Rec Center will be about \$1.2 million.

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Attorney discusses first amendment rights

by Thomas A Jones
wire editor

Mark Goodman, the Executive Director of the Student Press Law Center lead a program about student journalism in the last few decades and how it will change in the next few years. The program was a part of the University Film and Lecture Series and was held on Wednesday, October 21 in North Hall Dining Room at 4pm.

Goodman began the program by explaining he was little bit embarrassed of his topic title; "Student Journalism in the New Millennium: The Battle for Press Freedom Continues."

"I jumped on the hype bandwagon," he said. It is misleading to believe that somehow a change of the calendar will change the world as we know it.

However, he said that the title is appropriate. Because of a kind of odd convergence the year 2000 and the years that follow it could change the way student's express themselves.

"You're going to make it happen," Goodman said.

Goodman also explained what is the job of the Student Press Law Center (SPLC).



photo by Jonze

Lawyer Mark Goodman spoke in North Dining Hall on the rights of the student press. Pictured with Joe Moore (L).

ter (SPLC).

"It's an advocate for student expression," said Goodman. "It gives the students the tools they need to provide quality student media."

He said that it is crucial to our country's strength to criticize and speak no matter how unpopular those beliefs might be. This applies to young Americans as well as old.

Hazlewood decision paramount

by Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center in Arlington, Virginia was on campus this week to discuss concerns in censorship of student journalism now and in the future as we move into what many call, "the new millennium."

One case forefront in the mind of Goodman and also considered a landmark decision, though not necessarily positive, for the student press is the United States Supreme Court case, Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier. The decision, which was handed down in January of 1988, upheld the right of administrators at Hazelwood East High School in suburban St. Louis, Mo to censor stories from a school-sponsored student newspaper and therefore gave the right to administrators all across

the country to censor student publications and media.

The newspaper at Hazelwood, called the Spectrum, was written and edited for a journalism class held within the schools curriculum. Articles for the paper were submitted and reviewed by the instructor in charge of the class and then passed on to the school principal for approval. Robert Reynolds, the principal of Hazelwood East High School at the time, rejected two articles and demanded them to be deleted from the publication.

The case emerged in the national spotlight after former staff members of the newspaper filed a lawsuit in Federal District Court against the school district and school officials, alleging that their First Amendment rights were violated by the deletion of two articles, one dealing with teen pregnancy, the other with effects of divorce on children.

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"I believe that the First Amendment is fundamentally important," Goodman said. It's fairly well accepted

that the one thing that defines us is our

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Alcohol and Drug week aims at sobering students up

by Josh Duvall
staff reporter

The Mansfield University Campus this week participated in the National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week (NCAAW), a program dedicated to educating students about alcohol and offering possible social alternatives to drinking.

On the Mansfield campus, peer students are the main educators and sponsors of the events that take place during the week. The "Big Man On Campus" contest was held at Zanzibar

on Thursday night as one social alternative event. Greek organizations are responsible for organizing several educational programs and social events.

Carmen Bianco, associate director of housing operation, directs drug and alcohol programs at Mansfield. He said awareness programs focus more toward alcohol since it is more of a problem on campuses around the United States. "It's scary," Bianco said in reference to the problems that binge drinking on college campuses causes.

Binge drinking has actually increased from 1993 to 1997 from 39 percent to 52 percent. Four out of five fraternity and sorority members are binge drinkers.



Students participating in drug and alcohol week.

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Campus Voices

"Do you think drugs should be legalized in the United States?"

by Darren Meehan



Chris Selena
Sophomore

"No, what fun would drugs be if they were legal?"



Tiffany Becker
Senior

"I think that drugs should be legalized to some extent."



Jay "Doof" Davis
Senior

"What?"



Sandy Miller
Sophomore

"Probably not. People would definitely be out of control!"

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Reynolds claimed that one reason behind his objecting to the pregnancy story was a result of his concern that it would be inappropriate for younger students due to its references to sexual activity and birth control. He added that he believed a divorce story was not appropriate at any time in any form for high school students.

The Supreme Court decision ruled that the students First Amendment rights were not violated on the basis that "the rights of students in the public

schools are not automatically co-extensive with the rights of adults in other settings, and must be applied in the light of the special characteristics of the school environment." The court transcripts go on to say that a school does not need to tolerate speech by students that is not consistent with the schools educational mission despite the fact that this could not be done outside the school.

The court also did not recognize the school's newspaper as a forum for "public expression," something which has spurred protest and debate within the Student Press Law Center as well as within the public forum itself.

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Yost described his plans as "A Reason to Celebrate" observing the anticipated \$21 million generated through capital appropriations, State System of Higher Education (SSHE) funds, institutional funds and auxiliary bond funds.

Yost's presentation also included plans for Memorial Hall, the building which currently houses Student Government Association and several

other organizations. He proposed renovations which are slated to begin in the Spring of the year 2000 and will make he building a "technology center to support the region needs".

Although Halstead's office has not planned an exact date for the next meeting, he is encouraged by the interest already generated.

"I am pleased by the turnout and how much people care about our university," he said.

from Law, p1

acceptance and tolerance of free expression.

"This should be the place where the values embodied in our constitution are most vigorously defended," Goodman said referring to a university environment. He then added that there has been no shortage of a demand for

the services of the SPLC.

"In the period of about a decade there has been a three fold increase [in requests]" Goodman said.

Many times the way the media is censored is being told they can't cover certain things, or that they are too critical of school officials. He said, "Easily 75% of censorship is over student criticism of school officials."

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Pedestrian-friendly mall planned for campus

Kim Swarts
staff reporter

Along with the major renovations occurring in the next three years throughout Mansfield University with the Academic Facility Enhancement Project is the shift to a more "pedestrian friendly" campus.

This aspect of the project includes closing off Straughn Dr., which wraps around Elliot Hall to Route 6 and a portion of Wilson St., which runs along front of the Retan and Belknap buildings. This will allow space for malls,

such as the one between South Hall and Manser Dining Hall. Other roads located throughout campus will be closed to traffic except maintenance and deliveries.

The old Recreation Center will also be torn down as a part of the renovations. Replacing it will be a two-level parking facility, which will then increase the amount of parking spaces available. Other parking lots will also be added throughout campus.

Joseph Maresco, Vice President of Student Affairs, said "these new malls will allow students to hang out between classes."

Maresco added that the initial intentions of such a renovation is to give

the students and faculty a place to mingle amongst each other.

Also there is the fact that students may not be safe with all of the traffic that runs through the academic side of campus. With less roads to travel on, campus becomes less of an endangerment.

Although there will be a lot of detours, holes, dust and inconveniences around campus in the next three year, Maresco feels "students and faculty will have a positive outlook on the changes taking place."

Bob Walpole, a junior, said "I think that it sounds like a good idea. This way students can have a place to sit and

meet more people, instead of gathering on the sidewalks waiting for class."

All of the changes taking place with the Academic Facility Enhancement Project include renovations to Retan, Belknap, Alumni Hall and other buildings around campus and will cost more than 30 million dollars.

The funds will be coming from state grants and students should not anticipate an increase in tuition as a result of this project.

Maresco said the renovations are to be done by the year 2002. The revisions are set to start taking place this spring with the demolition of the old Recreation Center.

Renovations to Alumni Hall to begin next semester

Megan Williams
staff reporter

Adding to our renovations is the arrival of a newly refurbished Alumni Hall. "We can expect the renovations to start early in the spring semester after the school begins the bidding in December."

The renovations will hopefully be done early next fall," said Joseph Maresco, Vice President of Student Life.

The idea to begin the change was actually put to discussion in 1989 when the talks of the new Recreation Center were brought about.

The Student Government came to the board with some ideas of how to create a better campus environ-

ment for the students after the Middle States Committee had reviewed our school.

The committee had ideas to create a larger student union and with that in mind the idea began.

The most asked question of the students that I have talked to has been, "will the changes increase our tuition?"

The answer to that question is it is already in our tuition bill there are such things as activity fees and health fees, well there is also a Committ Building Fee which has been raised \$28, from the original cost of \$48, to help fund the renovations.

The rest of the money is coming from already existing funds and loans taken out by the university. The total project is going to cost \$ 3 1/2 million when it is finally completed and that is

including the cost of electricity and water.

Primary changes taking place is the building of a two level bookstore, in which one whole floor is primarily going to be set aside for the selling of books.

Also there will be a food area with casual seating, nicer views of the area and more space than the already existing lower Manser dining area.

The dining area is hoping to offer light meals, a deli, a bakery, gourmet coffee, and a few other food options.

This will not only be set up in the hopes of feeding the students but also to feed the faculty. It is being designed as a place for the students and faculty to go and socialize between classes. Cash equivalency and felx will be used but

there will not be a meal equivalency.

Other changes taking place in the building will be a new commuter TV lounge, game room, lounge, a student leadership complex, lockers for clubs and organizations, rooms designed for meetings from accommodations for 175 people to as few as 25 people. Also The Martin Luther King Center will be broadened and a mini theater seating 50 people will be built. The Flashlight, S.G.A, Communittee Service Organization, CCSI and some other administrative offices will also be renovated.

When asked about the future of our campus and it's renovations, Joseph Maresco stated, "WE are really excited about where the campus is going. First and foremost we want to create places for our students to be able to gather."

MU professor reflects on 20 years of teaching English

Josh Cusatis
news editor

Dr. Bernard Koloski has spent years living in and visiting different countries in Europe but it is Mansfield that he calls home.

Koloski said that he spends so much time in France, because he has family ties there.

"My wife is French and we go there almost every year," Koloski said. "It's for my daughter. We don't have any close family in the U.S. so we go over there to see the family."

He has also lived in Europe for some time which kept him from teaching for a number of years.

"I lived in Poland for three years," Koloski said. "I also lived in Arizona for two years and I took a sabbatical for one year to write a book. I think it's good to live in another country because they're all different. Some do things better than other countries and some have other weaknesses."

His book, "Kate Chopin: A Study of Short Fiction," is not the only work he has done on the author Kate Chopin.

"I've also edited two other books of her's," Koloski said. "This includes writing the introduction and the bibliography. The second book is called '43 Stories' and comes out this January on Penguin Books."

Koloski said that he has been doing work on Kate Chopin since he was a student.

"She was the subject of my

dissertation when I was working for my Ph.D 25 years ago," Koloski said. "I've been interested in her work ever since."

There is good reason for Koloski to have been working on one author for the past 25 years.

"Most people who teach any kind of Literature have to specialize because of the sheer amount of work that has been done," Koloski said. "Some people work with a specific period; others work with only poetry. I just happen to be interested with the second half of the 19th Century."

In that 25 years, Koloski has found other authors to do some work on also.

"I've also done some work on a Polish American woman that wrote a couple children's books," Koloski said. "I even did some work on an author from Mansfield. She wrote a book in the 1920's that took place in North Hall."

But Koloski said that teaching is what he really enjoys.

"I love it," Koloski said. "My proudest moment was when a student of mine, Andrea Wilson, joined the Peace Corps. two years ago. She's in Kyrgyzstan which is on the border of China and is very poor. She's teaching in a village in which 95% of the people don't have jobs and they have just run out of meat for the winter."

Teaching has also presented him with some very serious moments in his life.

"I had one student that was killed in Vietnam," Koloski said. "I went to the funeral with his girlfriend who was also a student."

Koloski is looking forward to go-

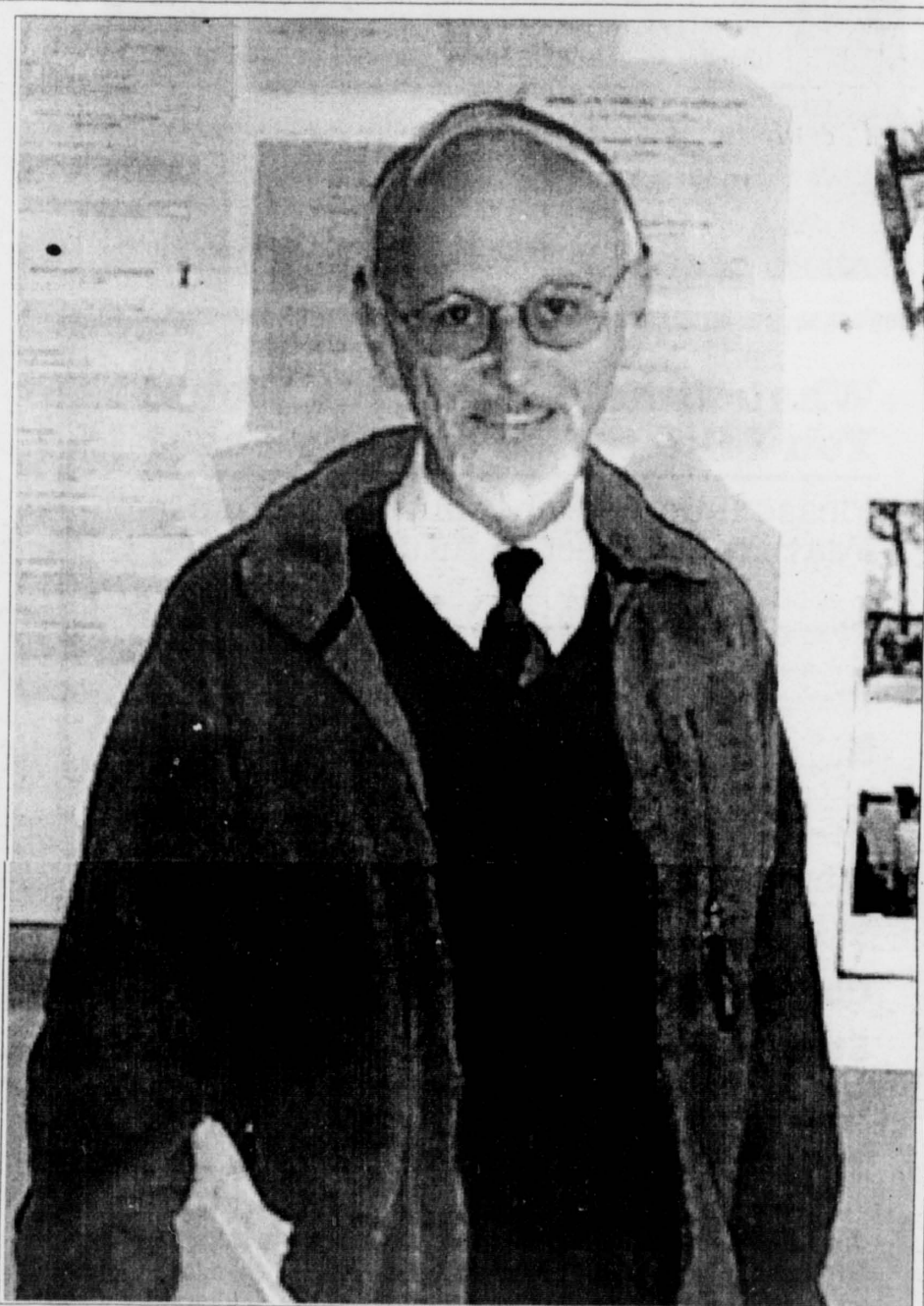


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Mansfield University English professor Bernie Koloski has taught at Mu for more than 20 years. In his time here he has written and worked on several books.

Koloski authored the book *Kate Chopin: A Study of Short Fiction*.

ing to Russia for the next fall semester.

"I'll be going over there to teach, hopefully with some students from here," Koloski said. "I've been there before for about 10 days and I'm cur-

rently learning Russian for the trip."

Dr. Koloski lives in Mansfield, PA and has a wife, Dr. Monique Oyallon, who teaches French at Penn State. They have a daughter, Jenny, who is 12.

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Here, Darren A. (as in Hot-For-Teacher) Meehan poses with his new running mate. He has just announced his bid for the Presidency in the next election. Hillary Clinton has decided to be the Vice-Presidential candidate. The two will sweep through the Midwest as they try to convince people that the two third-party contenders have what it takes to make it in the big house.



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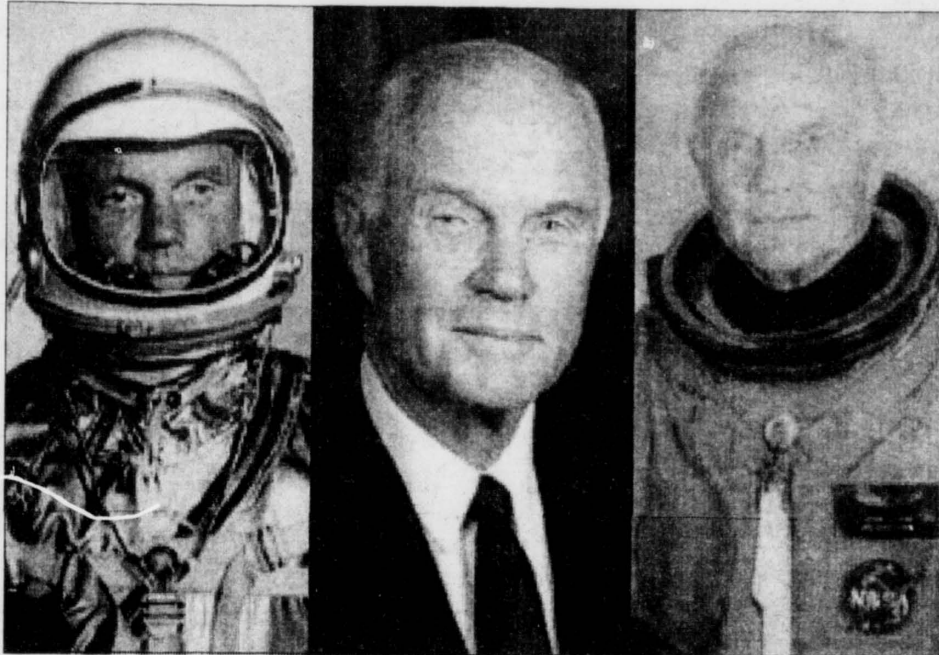
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John Glenn dropped from space experiment



Astronaut, Senator and now Astronaut again, John Glenn prepares for another journey in outer space, however he won't be part of an experiment.

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Glenn has been quietly dropped from an experiment to test effects of the hormone melatonin on sleep in space.

The test of melatonin, which is linked to sleep, is among three objectives in a sleep-disorder study that involves Glenn and another crew member in a space shuttle flight to be launched next week. The 77-year-old astronaut will continue with the other elements of the sleep study and will conduct about 10 experiments in orbit, officials said Wednesday.

Dr. Charles A. Czeisler, a Harvard Medical School researcher supervising the experiment, said Glenn twice took melatonin during the ground-based part of the sleep study.

Afterward, the scientist said he observed "a physical finding" that would exclude Glenn from taking melatonin in space. He said the conclusion was based on experiment criteria filed with the Food and Drug Administration.

"I later learned that the physical finding was well known to NASA and had been for some time," said Czeisler.

NASA officials refused to discuss the "physical finding," contending that as part of Glenn's medical record it is protected under privacy regulations.

Czeisler said he suggested that NASA apply to the FDA for a waiver to allow Glenn's full participation in the study, but space agency officials were cool to the idea. Instead, said Czeisler, Glenn was simply excluded from taking the melatonin pill.

The loss of melatonin data from Glenn is not a serious setback for the experiment since his role in the study was mostly to examine the effects of advanced age on the ability to sleep in space, said Czeisler.

Glenn will participate in all other parts of the sleep test, including swallowing a dime-sized pill containing a radio transmitter, giving urine and blood samples

and wearing electronic gear to measure brain waves, respiration, pulse, heart-beat, hand motion and eye movement.

Glenn said earlier this year that he would be a full participant in the sleep experiment. He did, in fact, twice take capsules of melatonin. It was not until Aug. 24 that Czeisler and the agency determined that Glenn would not take the hormone in space.

In briefings and interviews as recently as this week, NASA officials made no mention of the change. NASA officials admitted it only after reports published by Newsweek and The New York Times.

Peggy Wilhide, the NASA associate administrator, said the agency routinely withholds information about revised medical experiments aboard the space shuttle in order to protect the astronauts' privacy.

Dave Williams, an astronaut and scientist at the Johnson Space Center, said information about medical-experiment participation customarily is withheld so astronauts will not feel compelled to participate.

The FDA considers melatonin a food supplement, and the compound can be bought without a prescription. Studies have suggested that the hormone, produced by the pineal gland, can improve sleep if taken at the correct time of day, but most experts believe more study is needed.

Melatonin has been shown to cause confusion and headaches. In animal studies, the hormone also has been shown to constrict blood vessels. This, says the FDA, means that melatonin "could be dangerous for people with high blood pressure or other cardiovascular problems."

Asked if this applied to Glenn, NASA officials would not answer, citing privacy regulations.

NASA places safety above the President

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA insists safety — not the presence of the president — will determine whether Discovery lifts off next week with John Glenn. Meanwhile, the 77-year-old astronaut has been dropped from part of a key age-related experiment involving sleep disorders.

NASA has touted such experiments as the top reason for including Glenn on the space shuttle crew. He volunteered — nagged, even — to be the oldest person and first geriatric research subject in space.

Back in August or September, though, Glenn was quietly removed from a planned experiment to test the hypnotic effects of a natural hormone, melatonin, on people in orbit.

The doctor in charge of the sleep study was forced to drop Glenn from the melatonin sampling test because of Food and Drug Administration regulations, NASA scientist John Charles said today.

"He was forced to do so by the regulations, the agreement he has with the FDA involving melatonin," even though the dosage was much less than what's available in a health food store, Charles said.

The researcher, Dr. Charles Czeisler of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, told The New York Times in today's editions that Glenn did not meet one of the medical criteria established for participation.

FDA documents describing the use of melatonin warn that animal studies have shown that it causes blood vessels to constrict, "a condition that could be dangerous for people with high blood pressure or other cardiovascular problems."

Neither Czeisler nor Charles — or other NASA officials — would say why Glenn was dropped from the melatonin portion of the experiment, citing personal medical confidentiality.

Charles stressed that Glenn still will participate in the sleep study as well as nine other medical experiments. Glenn and another astronaut will be wired up with 21 electrodes and cords for several nights of the flight as originally planned so their sleep can be monitored.

Astronauts in orbit, like the elderly on Earth, have trouble sleeping. Doctors hope the study will tell them why and what they can do about it; melatonin might be one answer.

"He's doing the entire experiment except for swallowing one small pill," Charles said. "We still have an incredibly useful science payload, especially in the medical area, so I can't say I'm too disappointed about just the elimination of one tiny part of one experiment."

On Tuesday, the White House announced that President Clinton will attend the Oct. 29 launch of Glenn, a Democratic senator who went into politics after becoming the first American to orbit the Earth back in 1962.

The last time an American president witnessed a manned space shot, the rocket soared through storm clouds and was hit twice by lightning. Apollo 12 was launched to the moon that rainy November day in 1969, the never-confirmed story goes.

Archaeologists find human skeleton and other artifacts inside an ancient Mexican pyramid

TEOTIHUACAN, Mexico (AP) — Archaeologists have found a human skeleton and many artifacts inside the Pyramid of the Moon, once the biggest ceremonial center of pre-Colombian Mexico.

The skeleton was discovered in a structure buried by the later construction of the pyramid, which served as a platform for a high altar — not as a tomb in the Egyptian style.

The excavations since June showed that the step-type pyramids, made most of tamped earth, loose rocks and an outer layer of mortared stone, may have been built over an earlier civilization before the mysterious Teotihuacanos.

"It could be very important, once we find out more," Saburo Sugiyama, a Japanese-born archaeologist from Arizona State University, said Tuesday. "The skeleton — bones, but in a very good condition — was found buried in a sitting position, facing south."

Sugiyama said the skeleton is still half buried. Its gender and age have not been determined, but he estimated it could date to 100 A.D. to 150 A.D.

"It must have belonged to somebody important, because of the amount and quality of funeral offerings surrounding it," he said. Around 150 artifacts have



In the ancient Mexican Pyramid of the Moon, a human skeleton and several other artifacts have been discovered.

been found in the tomb — figurines, ceramics, statuettes, jade carvings, and obsidian.

The obsidian objects included arrow and spear heads and very finely ground, small obsidian knives that could have been used to sew cloth.

Sugiyama is one of an international team of archeologists exploring and mapping the pyramid. Involved are the University of Tokyo, the National Autonomous University of Mexico, the University of the Americas in Mexico and the

National Institute of History and Anthropology.

They are also financing the project jointly, together with the National Science Foundation of the United States, Ruben Cabrera Castro, coordinator of the project, told a news conference.

Sugiyama said the tomb was discovered by accident about 10 days ago. The team is digging low tunnels at the bottom of the pyramid from north to south and from west to east to find out what is inside the structure.

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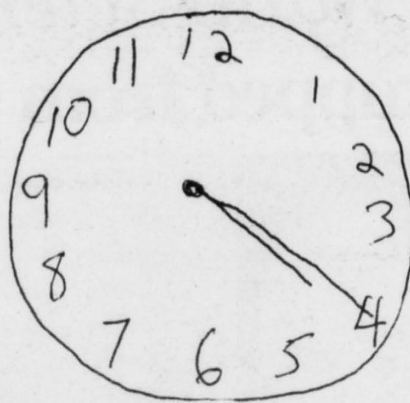
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Light up or leave us alone

To address the issue of legalizing narcotics it is best to first examine those that favor the prohibition of drug use. Prohibiting drug use is an action (since it requires the government to act, in this case to prevent a thing) and so the burden of proof is on the party requesting that action. In this case that group consists of those that favor the prohibition of drug use.

First, what does it mean to support the legalization of drugs? To say that one supports the legalization of drugs is to adopt a set of beliefs based on one very important core. This core has taken many forms:

"The government that governs least, governs best."

"...a government of the people, by the people, and for the people..."

"We the people..."

"Government is not the solution to our problems, government is the problem."

"The government receives its power from the consent of the governed."

It has been put many ways, all relating to the same general idea. That idea is that the government is just a natural extension from the rights of the individual, to the rights of the many. Just as one person has the natural right to self-defense, so then it follows that a group of people has the right to a common self-defense. Any government that takes it upon itself to violate these rights is no longer a legitimate government.

There is an important restriction placed on the individual who chooses to associate him/herself with others in a legitimate government. This restriction is that the individual accepts that the other members of the group have the same rights that he/she does. This prevents one person from violating the rights of others.

Extending this core to the legalization of drugs leads to the conclusion that just as the individual has a right to choose his or her own fate, collectively so do the people, so long as the actions of the individual do not violate the rights of the others. Even die-hard opponents to legalization have a difficult time associating the personal action of one to use narcotics with an actual violation of the rights of others.

The point most often raised by prohibitors is that the legalization inherently suggests a sort of endorsement, and would lead to widespread abuse of drugs.

To suggest that the legalization of drugs would endorse their use and encourage people to abuse narcotics is an idea based on fallacious reasoning. To define something as legal is in no way to endorse that action. Our collective government routinely cites as legal a plethora of activities that no moral system endorses. War, for example is hardly anything more than the individual murder of one person by another. Murder is not normally endorsed by any moral system. However, when looked at on a larger, governmental scale, war is seen as legal and even necessary to the public interest.

The United States has certainly had a particularly violent history. However our involvements in war are due more to the individual circumstances that lead us there than to the fact that the United States considers war a legal act. In fact there are very few who would suggest that what the country is itching for is a "good" war. The United States has never been encouraged to make war just because it was legal. Applying this from the collective to the individual also seems to suggest that few would be encouraged to abuse drugs simply because it is legal.

Student shows support for *Flashlight*

To the editors of MU's uncorrupted newspaper, I have one thing to say, keep up the good work.

Unlike other offices in your building and across the sidewalk that are in the game of stealing money from MU's students, your paper is in the game of printing the gospel truth, good job.

It is refreshing to read your weekly paper for the facts and nothing but the facts.

I am happy that you pointed out the lies that outside sources tried to fill your pages with.

Just like the toilet paper in my toilet bowl, the lies and manipulation this university and its hired student guns gives off is just about enough to make me puke, furthermore, it gives off a foul smell.

Just like Clinton and his set of goons that go out and try to put a spin on the truth every Sunday, MU has its own set of easily led fools and some are our own students.

In the 10-16-98 paper, someone wrote something like the circus was free.

That joke of a circus was just another way for the school to steal our money and use it for reasons of sucking up to Alumni and others.

Since when has a circus with a main feature of stinky dogs been an attraction for college students?

Who are the brainless morons behind this theft of my money. And if that crappy show did make a profit, why not put my money back in my pocket.

Oh no that can't be done we have to pay for some more cops to drink coffee and guard the donut

shops around town.

Just like that big yellow stain of a building that sits in the middle of campus and leaks when the precipitation starts to fall, or the junk weight room that should be the target of Clinton's Tomahawk missiles, this school has to start doing a better job of lying and stealing to the people who supply your money.

So, now tell us, isn't the real reason for that stupid circus, and that over priced junkyard of a rec. center just to suck up to everybody but who you should be, as in the students?

I now understand why the school does not want to have another concert like "Live." Because that would mean that our school would actually have to spend our money on who put it here, us the student. And MU police would actually have to put the donuts, coffee, and parking ticket book down.

Next time the urge arises to spend millions more on leaky roofs, or spend on another moronic circus, which had about ten total people in it, with the trapeze artists also playing the part of concession stand operator selling drinks and cotton candy, use your own money to suck up. Better yet, use the profits from the Dingling circus or the equally unentertaining Wyclef from last year.

One more note, MU's teachers are great and by no means are any of these facts addressed to all of you wonderful people. So, besides getting ripped off here at MU, I am learning a lot, especially in the Communications Department.

Joseph P. West

Student claims *Flashlight* is absurd and stupid

Okay, enough is enough. This last weekend's circus is over, so, get over it. I am not a journalism major, nor claim to be an expert on the subject. However I do know that logic would tell you to not just read a publication that you have received and report on it, but to check the facts, then report. I would think that in this case, this would be an easy task for you, since the Student Activities Office is right next door to your office.

I am not a member of MAC either but have worked closely with them through the other organizations I am involved in. I know how hard they work in order to try to please the students and faculty on this campus. It is impossible, however, to please everyone, as you know. Your paper's consistent bashing of them on this matter is not only absurd but

childish. Darren Meehan's commentary this week was just another showing of this

two-year-old's mentality that you are operating under. Suggesting that we have the Smurfs and Barney come to campus is very immature, not to mention just plain stupid. He also mentioned about how some people want to be involved, but they do not want to go to meetings. How can students become involved without going to meetings? The *Flashlight* is always begging for people to come and join it, so you should know that this is pretty much impossible.

Overall, I feel the *Flashlight* should just admit that maybe they were wrong and move on. There are more important things going on on this campus, so go find them and report on them accurately.

Darcie Goodenough

Letters to the Editor Policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The *Flashlight* reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off at the *Flashlight* office, 217 Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday, or mailed to the above address.

Commentary

Get to students by giving them something fun to do

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

Because this week is drug and alcohol awareness week, fraternities, sororities and others who usually party observed the week and provided non-drug/alcohol related entertainment.

As part of the week, events like seminars on alcohol abuse and related topics and other activities gave students something to do. But, as I said before many times, if you want to reach students, don't lecture them; give them something fun to do.

Last night, minutes before writing this commentary, I participated in the first ever Big Man On Campus contest sponsored by Zeta Tau Alpha. The lovely ladies of ZTA organized this event and received participation from several organizations on campus.

The event, which included an evening wear competition before a humiliating talent showcase, also received mad attendance. As one of my competitors and partners in shame pointed out, "it was the most packed I'd ever seen Z-Bar."

All in all it was fun, and it showed myself and everyone else that there can be fun without booze. But it also showed me that some people have balls as

big as churchbells.

When someone stands before a room packed with people and performs stunts like rolling his stomach or drawing a picture of a rose while dancing, they are showing a couple of things.

First, they are showing that some people have very unique talents. In all my years at college, I never saw some of the things I did during the BMOC contest.

Secondly, they showed that people can have fun without booze. Hundreds of people turned out for the contest and few, if any, were drunk.

Am I saying that this weekend I'll be sober as a church mouse?

Hell no!

But I never thought anyone at this school could do something that I would attend and participate in without some kind of substantive additives and also have fun doing.

Maybe I sound like some kind of addict. I don't know. I'm not perfect and there's nothing like going out and having some fun with some beer and

"Maybe I sound like some sort of addict..."

other liquors and friends and partying until sunrise.

And when the school does try to entertain us, it winds up costing us an arm and a leg. I didn't come to Mansfield University to lose my shirt, I just came to take it off for while.

That's what we're in college for, isn't it?

To have fun, right?

Many people will condemn me as childish and insecure, but let me tell you something: I know there's a lot of people at the bar and at parties just like me who want to have fun and don't really give a rat's ass what others think about it.

And in this I learned a lesson about this place.

The most fun you can have is doing something you want to do; whether or not others join you is another story and it is in a book you shouldn't concern yourself with.

Anyway, if you want to have any fun at this place, you have to make your own fun. Whether you're drinking or doing drugs or just enjoying life sober, only you can have your own fun.

If you're not having fun, what good is it to watch others having fun?

But what the f**@ do I know? I lost the BMOC in the first round.

And, by the way, there's a 21st birthday an Marx's Borthers Sunday night for T. B. Happy Birthday!

Education aid not a scandal

Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — As an issue, the Democrats count education aid as an asset worth shouting for, as President Clinton put it.

Clinton claimed not to relish the political dispute on federal aid to education in the closing days of Congress, but the White House made sure it would happen.

After all, it isn't about scandal. It is an issue near the top of voter concern lists in the campaign polls, and Republicans, who suffered on the topic in the last elections, are defensive about it.

Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., said the Republicans were "desperate not to look anti-education" and just as desperate to get Congress adjourned.

Rep. Bill Goodling, chairman of the House committee that deals with education, had said the president would have to make up his mind whether he wanted an issue or wanted to work with the Republicans and accomplish something.

Clinton and the Democrats wanted both. Clinton said he'd been trying to get action all year on \$1.1 billion to begin hiring 100,000 new elementary school teachers. So the Republican agreement to put the money into the budget bill gave the Democrats a talking point. Republicans gained some leeway on the use of the money by school districts.

But that was the fine print. The teacher-hiring aid is a proposal Clinton made in his State of the Union message as "the first-ever national effort to reduce class size in the early grades."

He also wanted a school construction aid plan, which was dropped in the final budget bargaining. He'd pushed both all year, often at school-house appearances.

"I don't really relish education as a partisan debate because over the long run, that's not good for America," he said at a Silver Spring, Md., elementary school on Tuesday.

The partisan lines had long since been set. The Republican-led Congress sat on the Clinton aid proposals. Clinton vetoed GOP bills to offer tax breaks for private school tuition, and a voucher system in the District of Columbia so that some poor children could switch to private schools. He said they would have been at the expense of public school education, and that it must be strengthened.

Republicans suffered on the education issue in the 1996 campaign, when their emphasis was on dismantling the education bureaucracy and eliminating the Education Department. Their emphasis this time has been on trimming federal strings in education aid and strengthening local control.

That philosophical dispute snarled the issue in the budget talks, which didn't bother Democrats. Fazio said they were back on issues. "It's important people understand what Democrats are for," said Rep. Martin Frost of Texas, chairman of their House campaign committee.

Even without school construction aid, Clinton's spokesman, Joe Lockhart, said, "we will have delivered on much of the president's education agenda."

Lockhart said it was incomprehensible how it had all become such a partisan issue.

His predecessor could have told him. When Clinton had educators and Democratic leaders at the White House on Oct. 1 to push his proposals, Mike McCurry said of course it was a political event.

Clinton said this week that he had worked quietly and earnestly to get action on his proposals, but without results. "So now, for a few days, we are shouting loudly to the heavens," he said.

Not to mention the voters.

Clinton said he'd had to force the issue. He used the congressional and campaign calendar to do it; the Democrats don't have the votes to get bills through Congress, but with the budget and adjournment as bargaining levers, the minority can sometimes rule.

Debate over penalties for prejudice lawbreakers

Richard Carelli
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Employers who discriminate based on race, religion, national origin or sex violate the law, but federal courts have not agreed how much illegal prejudice should cost the lawbreakers.

A major bone of contention is which situations should qualify victims of employment discrimination to receive punitive damages, the kind intended to punish and deter wrongdoers. The Supreme Court is being asked to clarify just when such awards can be won.

Most employees or job applicants who sue over alleged discrimination invoke a federal law known as Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The law did not provide for punitive damages until Congress amended it in 1991.

Carole Kolstad invoked the law when she sued the American Dental Association after losing out on getting a high-ranking job in its Washington office. Her lawsuit said the association's decision not to promote her was motivated by illegal sexual bias.

Kolstad was working as the ADA's director of federal agency relations when in 1992 the association's director of legislation announced his retirement. Kolstad and another Washington office employee, Tom Spangler, expressed interest in the vacancy.

Spangler got the job, and Kolstad sued. Her lawsuit contended that the ADA had selected Spangler even before the formal selection process began.

The lawsuit also alleged that Leonard Wheat, who headed the association's Washington office, told sexually offensive jokes at staff meetings and sometimes used derogatory terms to refer to professionally prominent women. Wheat vigorously con-

tested those allegations.

A federal jury found that the ADA illegally discriminated against Kolstad in violation of Title VII and awarded her \$52,718 in back pay. The trial judge presiding over the case refused to let the jury consider awarding Kolstad punitive damages, but a three-judge federal appeals court panel ordered reconsideration.

The association appealed, and the entire U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, voting 6-5 last May, agreed that Kolstad was not entitled to punitive damages.

The appeals court ruled that such damages are available in employment-bias cases only when "egregious conduct" is proved, and that Kolstad's case fell short of that mark. Other appeals courts, however, have allowed punitive damages whenever intentional discrimination has been proved.

Kolstad has asked the Supreme Court to resolve the conflicting rulings, but the court has yet to say whether it will grant her appeal.

In amending the law in 1991, Congress said punitive damages should be paid when employers acted "with malice or with reckless indifference to the federally protected rights of an aggrieved individual." Federal appeals courts have given the phrase differing interpretations.

While the issue is of great significance for American businesses, the awards won by discrimination victims under Title VII pale when compared to those won in product-liability lawsuits.

That is because Congress imposed a cap on employers' liability. The federal law says total damages compensatory and punitive together cannot exceed \$50,000 to \$300,000, depending on an employer's size.

Some victims of bias would be better off suing under state law, says Yolanda Wu of the NOW Legal Defense and Educational Fund. "For example, New York law has no caps."

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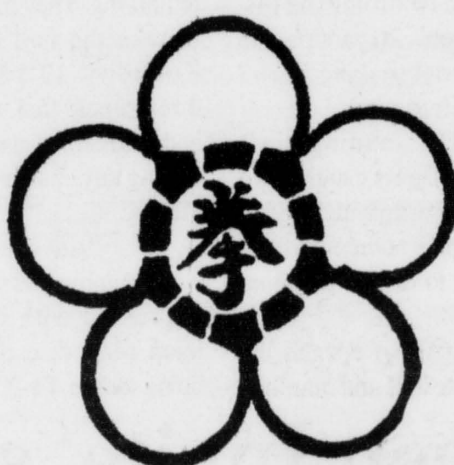
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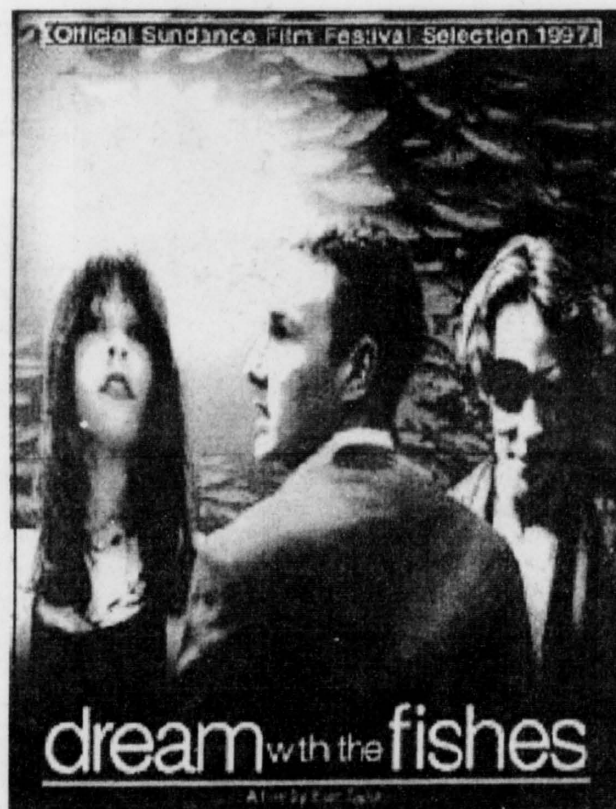
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Mountaineers lose heartbreak homecoming

by Travis Gilmore
sports reporter

The Mounties almost pulled out a win last Saturday against Kutztown despite the fact that they buried themselves in an early 14-0 first quarter deficit.

The Mountaineers racked up 400 yards in total offense against Kutztown this week in front of the Homecoming fans but once again were plagued by turnovers.

The Mountaineers have showed their improved defensive performance by holding Kutztown's top rated rushing attack to 230 yards, below their season average, and only 73 yards through the air.

The defense, which did not allow a touchdown in the second half, was led by Jim Ludwig, Ian Cooper, and Karl Buzak each recording a team high eight tackles with Cooper adding his team best third interception of the year.

Again the Mounties have shown offensive ability with the addition of freshman quarterback Chris Hudak stepping in for injured junior Lucas Smith. Hudak went 12 for 17

with 2 touchdowns and 115 yards.

He also ran for another 121 yards on 14 carries marking the first time in MU history that a quarterback has thrown and run for more than a 100 yards in a game.

That performance earned him ECAC South Division II Rookie of the Week honors. Hudak was not the only one making good use of his first start.

Senior running back David Banyar, who in 36 games prior to his first start had only rushed for 193 in a backup role, ran for a 168 yards on 29 carries and added 3 catches for 18.

Darrell Miller seemed to be Hudak's favorite target of the day catching three passes for 37 yards and recording the first touchdown on a 20 yard pass in the first quarter making it 14-7 with 7:40 left to play.

MU's leading pass catcher Nate Davis caught two passes for 11 yards with a 6 yard touchdown pass at the end of the first quarter to tie the game up at 14 all.

Kutztown opened the game with the ball and marched

down to the MU 25 yard line where Najeed Rasheed took a Mike de Marteleire pass for a touchdown making it 7-0. On the ensuing kickoff Mansfield fumbled on their own 28 yard line where Kutztown recovered it.

Kutztown made its way down to the two yardline where the MU defense held them to a fourth down situation before Yorel Prosser dove in for the touchdown.

The Mounties then took a drive, to start the fourth, from their own 40 down to Kutztown's 10 yardline where Hudak ran it in to make it 24-21 with 10:29 left in the game. MU's defense again stopped Kutztown and forced them to punt where the Mounties took over on their own 20 with 2:29 remaining. They then proceeded to take the ball down to the Kutztown 12 before Hudak threw a pass that was tipped up and intercepted at the 3 yard line ending any chance of a Mountie victory.

"Anyone who saw last week's game had to come away impressed with the way this team played, especially after being down 14-0 without run-

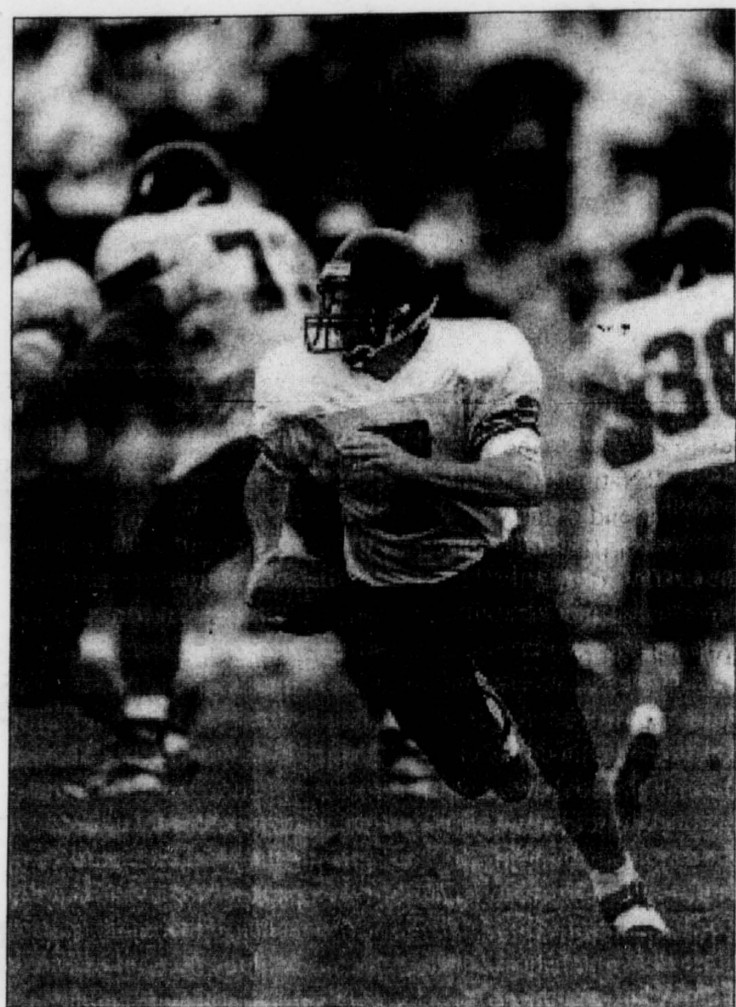


photo by Thad Woodward

Freshman quarterback Chris Hudak rolls out of the pocket and looks for a running lane.

ning an offensive play," MU head football coach Joe Viadella said. "That was a great effort by our kids to come back in that

game and by the fourth quarter they knew they were the better team on the field that afternoon."

Mounties sweep Invite, set new course records

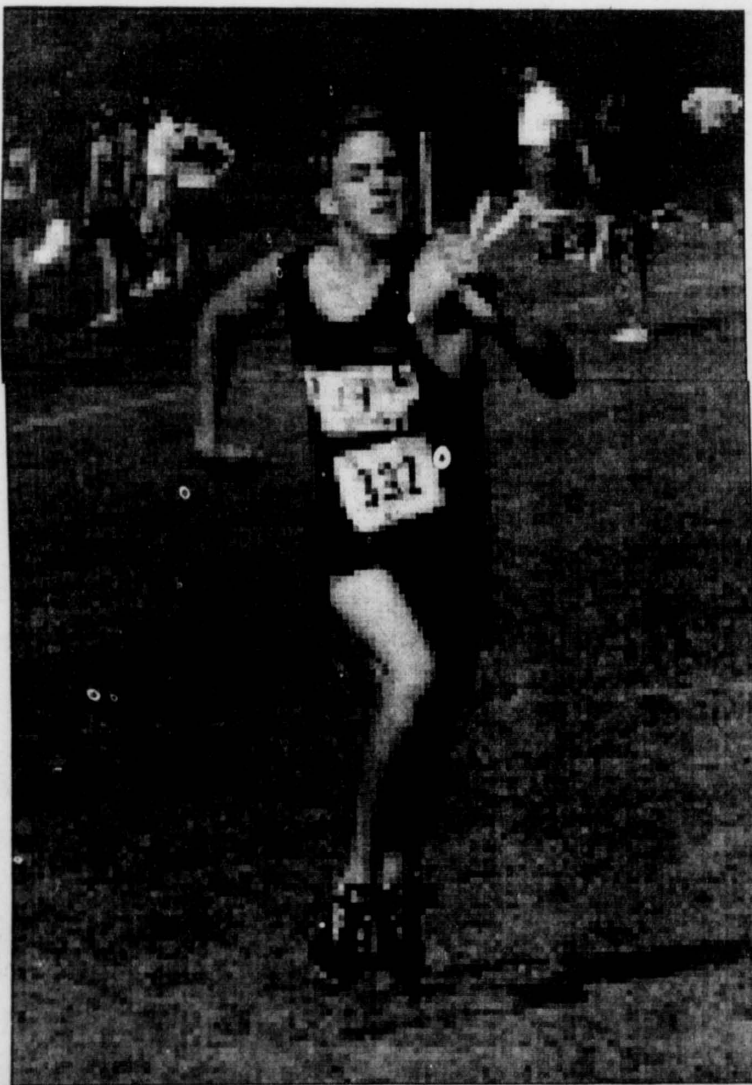


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Todd Stewart finished first and set a new course record at the Pitt Bradford invitational last Saturday.

by Tracey Strupp
sports reporter

The Mansfield cross country team ran themselves to a dominating performance last week at the Pitt Bradford Invitational cross country meet by taking first place finishes and setting course records in both the men's and women's competition.

Overall, the women placed first out of six competing teams scoring just 28 points. The second place team was Mercyhurst with a score of 43.

In terms of individual performance for the women, sophomore Brianne Liddick came in first place setting a course record for the 2.9 mile run with a time of 16:26. The victory is her second straight first place finish in two weeks.

The Mounties placed four other runners in the top ten, Freshman Catherine Deithorn came in fourth with a time of 16:45. Nichole Beckel, another freshman, was right on her heels in fifth place with a time of



Brianne Liddick

16:51.

Collen Ryder, a junior, placed eighth with a 17:03 and Kristen Clark finished ninth

MU runner receives PSAC honors

Mansfield cross country standout Brianne Liddick was named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference women's Cross Country Runner of the Week for her first place finish at the Pitt-Bradford Invitational last Saturday.

Liddick set a new course record with a winning time of 16:26 over the 2.9 mile

with a 17:06.

The men placed third overall out of six teams with 56 points placing three runners out of the top 20.

Sophomore Todd Stewart finished first and set a new course record with his time of 25:33. His victory was his second straight first place finish in two weeks.

Gary Keim finished with a time of 26:53. Jeremy Allen finished 17th with a time of 29:24.

Mansfield's next competition is October 24 at Gettysburg College.

course to lead the Mountaineer women to a first place finish.

Liddick was also the top finisher at the Baptist Bible Invitational the week before.

She has placed in the top 20 in six of her last seven meets this season. She has also placed five times in the top 10 runners in those seven meets.

Young Mountie swimmers outlook is bright

by Jason Feather
sports reporter

The start of something big is what second year Mansfield Head Coach Danita Pokorny is expecting from her 1998-99 women swimming team. With her first real recruiting class in, Pokorny can now begin installing what she hopes will be a bright success in the future for the Mountaineers.

Although she returns just three members from last year's 4-8 squad, Pokorny will look to her top returning swimmer, Candace Cipolla, along with her top three new recruits, to build the Mountaineer future. The four girls are viable candidates to advance to the NCAA Division II National Championships at the end of the year.

Cipolla was sensational in her first season as a Mountaineer. She broke several individual records in the back, fly and individual medley events. She was also part of the record setting teams in the 200 and 400 medley relays.

Cipolla also fared well at the PSAC Championship meet, placing fourth in the 200 backstroke and fifth in the 100 back stroke.

Sarah Davis, (Herald,



Senior captain Nicole Mihalic will lead this years young but talented group of swimmers for Mansfield. Mihalic will mainly compete in breast stroke events for the Mounties.

California), Teresa Ulett (Lee's Summit, Missouri) and Carrie Key (Poughkeepsie, New York) are three recruits that are in deep when it comes to experience in the pool. Pokorny hopes that this experience will pay huge dividends for the Mountaineers immediately.

Davis's high school success can easily be measured by the accolades she received at Hiram Johnston West High School. During her junior and senior years she earned the

Most Valuable Player honors when she advanced to the sectional finals.

Ulett, like Davis, was also quite impressive during her high school career. Ulett was named All State Honorable mention, as well as All-Conference and All-Metro second teams. Ulett will be expected to solidify the fly and free events for the Mountaineers this year.

Key, the closest geographically to the Mansfield University Campus of the three

recruits, will be expected to help build the Mountaineers in the future. An All-Section, All-Star and an All-Division honoree during her high school career. Key will contribute heavily in the freestyle events for the Mountaineers.

Pokorny will have some help with her young team with returning senior Nichole Milhalic. Milhalic joined the Mountaineers last year after sitting out her first two years at Mansfield. Like she did last

year, Milhalic will compete in the breast stroke events and provide vocal leadership to the young Mountie team.

Two other key returnees for the Mountaineers will be Bonnie Remus and Katie Danielson. Remus returns to the Mountaineer team after one year away from the Decker Gymnasium pool.

She will likely swim in the freestyle events after being a part of two record setting teams in the 200 and 400 free relay events in the 1996-97 season.

Danielson, entering her 13 season of competitive swimming should compete in the breast stroke and free style events for the Mounties this year.

The Mountaineers will also receive support from a host of new faces that will be expected to contribute immediately. Juniors Beth Bardo and Anne de Guzman will both provide the Mountaineers with depth in the free events.

Sophomores Cheryl Burley and Jen Savage will give the Mountaineers more depth in the freestyle events. Fellow sophomores Jamie Tharp and Heather Vance will also provide depth at the free and backstroke events respectively.

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MU Field Hockey wins again

by Jason Feather
sports reporter

The Mansfield University field hockey team picked up their third consecutive win this season with a 3-1 decision over Slippery Rock University today.

Senior forward and team co-captain Christy Sunchych got the Mounties on the board first, scoring a goal off

of Jamie Huffcut's assist with 28:09 remaining in the first period.

In the second period, Jamie Huffcut got her fourth goal of the season, scoring with 25:58 remaining in the second period. Chrissy Nugent got credit for the assist.

Slippery Rock finally got on the board with 19:36 remaining, but Christy Sunchych removed all thoughts of a comeback by scoring her second goal

of the game, and fifth of the season with three minutes left in the game.

Sophomore Misty Drasher had the assist.

In the net, Jen Manton picked up the win, stopping a total of two shots.

Mansfield is currently 4-7 with the victory. They travel to Kutztown University on Tuesday to try and run their win streak to four straight contests.

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Special Report

Hemp History in the Making



Holistic healer asks for dismissal of trafficking charges

Richard Benke
associated press

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — A holistic healer called a curandera, who uses traditional Hispanic folk remedies, has asked the state Court of Appeals to dismiss charges that she illegally trafficked in marijuana.

Libbie Palmer used a centuries-old recipe mixing marijuana, olive oil and beeswax into an analgesic salve for people with various pains, including one man whose prosthetic leg hurt him so much he could barely walk.

Ms. Palmer and her husband Michael were arrested last year, accused of trafficking in marijuana a second-degree felony because they allegedly grew five marijuana plants.

"If you're growing plants, they consider that to be manufacturing drugs," said John McCall, her attorney.

She also was charged with possessing marijuana with intent to distribute.

Ms. Palmer said her great-grandmother and uncle were curanderos, and her uncle passed the tradition along to her when she was a child. She said she gives her services without receiving payment. Often, she said, people offer gifts instead.

"New Mexico is a low-income state. People just can't afford chiropractors, doctors and medications," she said Thursday. "When I started giving them

this ointment for their pain, they just loved it."

Daniel Pino, vice president of the Carnuel Land Grand Heirs Association, said marijuana is a traditional herbal remedy.

"Both my grandmothers used it my grandmas were curanderas," Pino said in Tijeras. "One grandma would get the stems and boil it up; she'd rub it on her joints for arthritis, and it would alleviate the pain. My other grandmother used it in a steam form with a towel over her head for her asthma."

Pino, a woodcutter, said he used Ms. Palmer's salve on his arthritic shoulder.

Eliseo Torres, vice president for student affairs at the University of New Mexico, has studied curandismo for 20 years and wrote the books "Green Medicine" and "The Folk Healer."

Marijuana tinctures, teas and poultices are among traditional cures, Torres said, but he cautioned about the legality.

"The law is the law," said Torres, who has a Ph.D. in education. "It's unfortunate, but that's the way it works. ... If they allow this, you open the door to harvesting marijuana."

If people are sick, he said, they should see a doctor.

On the other hand, he said, curandismo can be a positive thing.

"It may help, but it doesn't hurt," said Torres.

Ms. Palmer has helped families



photo provided

Sweet nugs.

primarily in the San Antonio neighborhood of Cedar Crest, east of Albuquerque, which dates back more than 300 years. About 20 families live there now, including Ms. Palmer's family, the Garcias.

Ms. Palmer initially used marijuana in a lard-based salve but changed to beeswax and oil after visiting a

curandera in Mexico two years ago.

"She just showed me how to make it better," she said.

Asked if she considered its legality, she said: "I knew it was illegal."

And did it anyway.

"Yep."

Asked why, she said: "Because it works."

Justice Department orders California's largest marijuana club closed



photo provided

associated press

OAKLAND, California (AP) — California's largest remaining medical marijuana club was closed by a court order obtained by the Clinton administration's Justice Department.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, without comment, denied a request Monday by the Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative to remain open during an appeal of a federal judge's ruling finding the club in contempt of court for continuing to distribute marijuana in violation of federal law.

Shortly before the 5 p.m. deadline, leaders of the organization started carrying out boxes of files and said they were closing voluntarily and cooperating with federal marshals.

Jeff Jones, executive director of the club, issued a statement saying Cali-

fornians who backed Proposition 215, the November 1996 medical marijuana initiative, "have had their votes nullified today by the efforts of a heavy-handed and misguided federal government."

The club, which claimed 2,200 patients as members, was one of six in Northern California sued by the Justice Department for violating the federal law against distribution of marijuana. Of the six, only clubs in Ukiah and Fairfax remain open, along with a handful of others around the state.

Proposition 215 allowed patients and their caregivers to possess and grow marijuana without prosecution under California law, if recommended by a doctor to relieve the pain from AIDS or cancer treatment, glaucoma or other conditions.

The initiative had no effect, however, on federal laws against distribution of marijuana.

Calender

Friday, Oct. 23,
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Last Day
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1 pm - International Dis-
cussion Hour in MLK
Center, Memorial Hall.
8 pm - Gershwin Jazz

Concert in Steadman The-
atre.

9 pm - Karaoke Contest/
Professional DJ at Zanzi-
bar with Bobby K Produc-
tions at Zanzibar at The
HUT.

Saturday, Oct. 24, 1998

10:45 am - Cross Country
away at Gettysburg Col-
lege.

11 pm - Field Hockey
away at Millersville Uni-
versity.

1 pm - Football away at
Lock Haven University.

Sunday, Oct. 25, 1998

Daylight Savings Ends.
8:03 pm - Octobafest in
Steadman Theatre.

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1998

1 pm - Ebony Discussion
Hour in MLK Center,
Memorial Hall.

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1998

3 pm - Field Hockey at
home vs Houghton Col-
lege.
8 pm - Open Mic Night at
MAC Coffeehouse (The
HUT).



Dining services: more than meets the eye

by Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

In the past many who have walked through Manser Main Dining Hall, past what one may refer to as the food trough, may have found themselves saying "I wonder which road they scraped that off, 15 or 6?" or perhaps, "I think something just moved in that gravy, dear God! Kill it! Kill it!"

Lately, however, many students at Mansfield have looked down at their plates and said "Hey, this looks like chicken, it smells like chicken, and by God it tastes like chicken! Hey, Manser

has really improved."

Krista Wheeler, a junior Elementary Education major at Mansfield, commented that she believes Manser service does well when considering the number of students that it is required to serve.

"For the amount of students that Manser serves, they do a pretty good job," Wheeler commented. "There is a good variety of food to please a lot of students."

Melissa Walrath, also a junior Elementary Education major at Mansfield, believes the quality as well as the variety of food has improved from last semester to this semester.

"I think it is better than it has been in the past," Walrath said. "The veg-

etables, for one seem more fresh. The food in general is tastier. The variety has also improved. More at first than now, but they do offer more things than they did last year."

Kerry McGuire, director of dining services at Mansfield University believes that any improvements that have come to Manser this year have come through listening to students comments, questions, and suggestions.

"We have been involved in a strong two-way communication with students in the form of such forums as the comment board," McGuire said.

McGuire added that while the management staff has continued to meet every other week in Southside court they are also attending dorm council meet-

ings to listen to students concerns and requests.

One new improvement which has come to Manser recently is the breakfast express and take out.

"Just started a breakfast take out as a result of students asking for a little more flexibility for breakfast hours in Manser," McGuire said. "Southside was open for breakfast about five years ago but it was discontinued because it wasn't used. Not long ago we planned to open center stage so that food could be prepared to order if it was a express type of item."

The breakfast express is open during regular Manser breakfast hours: Monday through Friday 7- 9:30. Anyone can attend.

English professor reflects on career as an educator

Josh Cusatis
news editor

Ever since she won a 3rd grade poetry contest in Highlites magazine she knew that she wanted to write poetry.

Dr. Judith Sornberger, Mansfield University associate professor of English, has been teaching English for MU for nine years now. She received tenure at MU in 1995.

"I was teaching temporarily at the University of Colorado in the women's studies department," Sornberger said. "I got into a national job search and Mansfield was looking

for someone to start a women's studies program and teach poetry. I was a perfect fit."

For winning the 3rd grade poetry contest, Sornberger had her poem published in Highlites magazine.

"I was a little kid and this really inspired me," Sornberger said. "It made me feel like I had some talent. I always loved language."

Sornberger said that the two writing residencies she has had were the best experiences she's had that writing has provided her.

"You get to write non-stop and you don't have to worry about things like food," Sornberger said. "They provide all of that for you. All you have to do is write and you can go for walks. I went

to one on Puget Sound and another in Wyoming. I also went to Italy to study art for a book."

Sornberger has also found that poetry is not her only form of written work.

"Letters are so much more satisfying than the phone," Sornberger said. "It's really great to get a stack of letters."

Sornberger went on to explain why she writes so many letters.

"At the end of school when you're leaving you friends, you have to make a decision as to how you're going to continue the friendship," Sornberger said. "They're like extended journal entries and the anticipation of what you'll get is great."

Sornberger said that so of the

people that she writes to are colleagues of hers.

"Some people send me things that they are working on and I do the same," Sornberger said. "It really inspires me."

Sornberger said that, though she never thought she would live in the eastern half of the country, the move to Mansfield was not a hard one.

"People used to ask me how could I move here from Boulder, Co?" Sornberger said. "But as I was making the drive up here from Williamsport, I realized that this is a really beautiful area."

Sornberger has two sons, Jamie and Matt and is married to Dr. Bruce Barton who is also an MU associate professor of English.

Library upgrades catalog

by Gene Yager
co-editor

A library with over five million books has become available to the Mansfield University community.

This is thanks to a new program at work in the North Hall library called PILOT, Pennsylvania Inter Library Online Technology. PILOT replaces MATLOC (Mansfields Alternative To Lots Of Cards) as MU's virtual card catalog.

The program puts other library's books at the fingertips of MU students.

"The idea is that eventually you will be able to simultaneously search all

fourteen (state system) schools libraries," Fran Garrison, coordinator of public services said.

Users can access over 5 million books. Soon, Garrison said, users will also be able to access the 14 state school's journal articles as well.

According to Garrison, the borrowing of another schools book can occur while the user simply sits at a keyboard and sends a message to the school. The school then sends MU the book.

The new system is superior to MATLOC in several ways, Garrison said.

First, according to Garrison, PILOT is web interface. It is a more sophisticated, "point and click" system.

Correction

"The agreement between Mansfield University and the Southern Tioga School District allowing the school district to use the vacant portion of Alumni Hall extends to the end of

December. While construction at the junior-senior high school is expected to last into 1999, the school district has stated that students currently learning in Alumni Hall will return to their Mansfield Junior-Senior High School classrooms at the end of December."



photo by Cusatis

The North American Food Drive is in full swing once again. The drive is sponsored by Zeta Tau Alpha, Lambda Chi Alpha, and Alpha Sigma Alpha. Donors are encouraged to bring cans of food to the Lambda Chi Alpha house, where the fraternity is performing a haunted house all weekend. Last year, the drive brought in 5,500 cans of food. This year, organizers hope to bring in 6,500 cans of food. Proceeds from the haunted house benefit the American Heart Association, and costs \$1 for children 12 and under, and \$2 for adults.

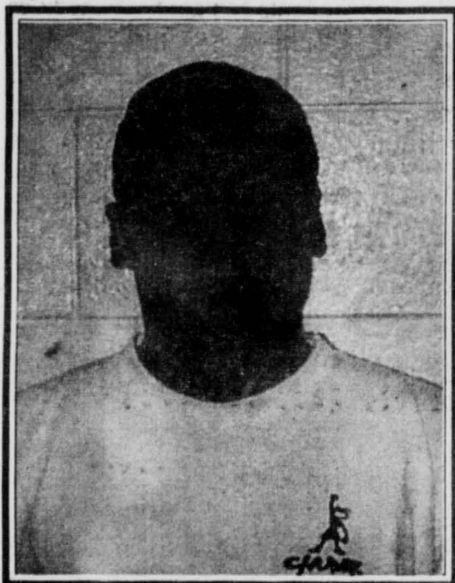
Campus Voices



"What are you planning on being for Halloween?"



by Josh Cusatis



Chris Lindvay
Senior

"Death"



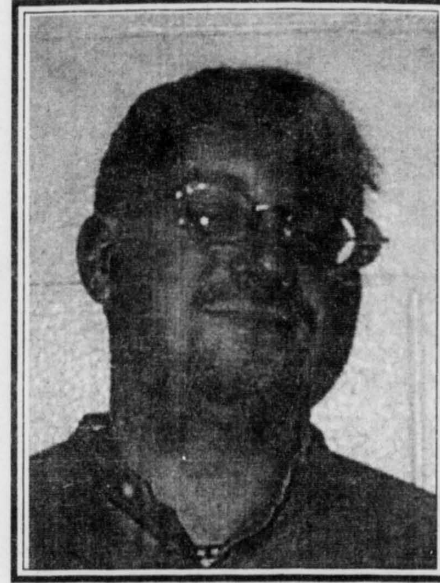
Brandy Bean
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"Vampress."



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"The Enchantress"



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'Sleep with Fishes' focus of discussion at film series

by Kimberly Sapone
staff reporter

This week's film series brought the movie "Dream With The Fishes" to Mansfield University's Allen Lecture Hall Thursday night.

The film stars Brad Hunt and David Arquette as Nick and Terry, two unlikely friends. They meet as Terry is planning to kill himself by jumping off of a bridge. Nick talks Terry trying into killing himself with pills instead because it has a better chance of working. He offers Terry a bottle of pills in exchange for Terry's watch. Terry does not know, however, that the pills are only vitamins.

Terry gets mad and goes after Nick and finds him in the hospital; he is actually dying. Terry feels bad about taking the watch back and he tries to give it back to him. Instead, Nick talks him into going for a trip in which Terry can live out all his fantasies in his last three weeks he has to live.

Terry agrees and they go off, living out Nick's fantasies, which include bowling alleys and hookers, and even one of Terry's fantasies, although

he claims that he doesn't have any. In an attempt to make Terry happy, Nick stages a lottery win and in turn gives Terry the night of his life.

Along the way, they also run into a fortune teller who gives Nick 3 weeks until he dies. She also tells him that when he dies, he will help to save the fishes souls because he was a fish in a former life.

After the movie, students in attendance were asked to voice their opinions on the movie and on the main points involved. Students overall felt that the fortune teller was right in her predictions about Nick, because he did end up saving the soul of Terry. Students also wondered if the movie was discussing homosexual issues, because of the closeness there was between Nick and Terry.

The biggest topic of conversation was about an analogy made by Nick during the movie about how if a rat will try to swim or not even attempt to when thrown into water. Said one student, "Terry was at the beginning the rat that wouldn't have tried to swim, but at the end, he would."

The next film in the series will be held next Thursday night in Allen Lecture Hall.

Scheduling rescheduled after computer problems

by Kimberly Sapone
staff reporter

It seems that students aren't the only ones on campus having trouble with the new computer systems that were put into place this summer. Registration has been pushed back a week because the computers would not allow the workers

in Records to download the schedules in order to put them into books.

Students can get the schedules from their department secretaries. Registration begins for second semester freshmen with last names beginning with A-D on November 9th. Returning students with 90+ credits may begin registration on November 13th. Registration takes place in the commuter lounge in Memorial Hall.

MU president plans next wave of "town hall" style meetings

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University President John Halstead scheduled two more meetings for the coming month to address issue ranging from enrollment to student concerns.

The first meeting, *Enrollment Planning*, is scheduled for Thursday, November 12 from 11:00 am. to noon. According to the announcement, Provost Joe Moore is also expected to address the audience and to "outline future

goals".

The second meeting, Halstead will be joined by Student Government Association President Michele Hosey.

It is scheduled for November 12 from 7-8 PM in the North Dining Room of Manser and December 1 from 12:30-1:30 PM in the Allen Hall Auditorium.

All students are invited to attend.

"Student's voices are important and we value your input," Halstead said.

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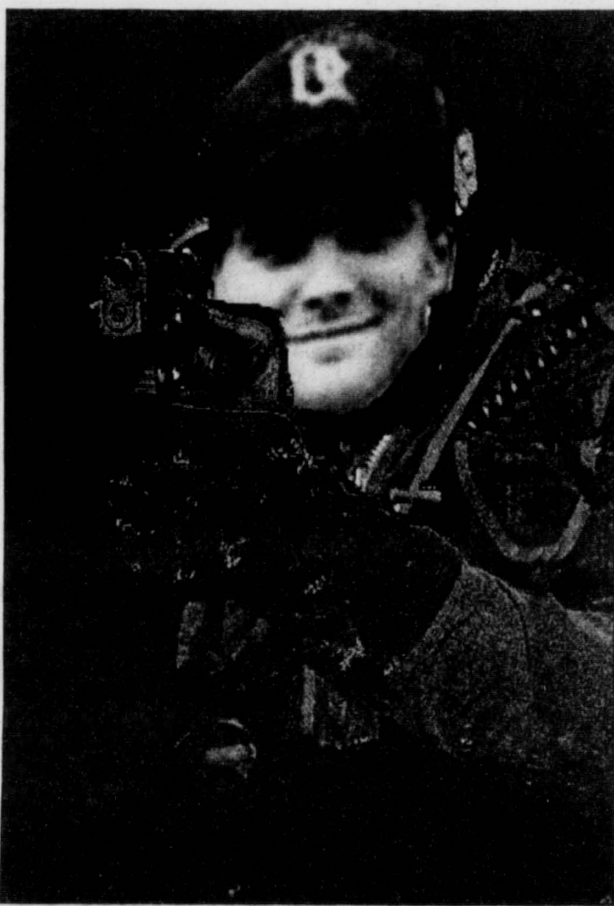
SGA President Michelle Hosiery shows off her stylish beanie babbie costume. Here she portrays "Mel, The Aussie Baby."



North Hall is disguising itself as the Hal 9000 supercomputer. It is doubtful it will have a successful Halloween.



Former President Rodney C. Belchner appeared on campus, in a very carefully constructed costume: The Bench.



Darren A. (as in Universal Soldier) Meehan displayed his costume as an international counter-terrorism expert.



SGA Vice-President Rosie O'Gallagher fulfilled his childhood dream of trick or treatin' as Dorothy from the Wizard Of Oz. SGA Advisor Molesto co-starred as his little dog Toto.



President Halstead tries on his "Professor Marvel" costume before a stunned audience. Other Administration officials ran in terror at the sight. Provost Moore should be returning from the hospital soon.



Professor Koloski poses for Flashlight photographers

Special Report

Space exploration

John Glenn in space after thirty-six years

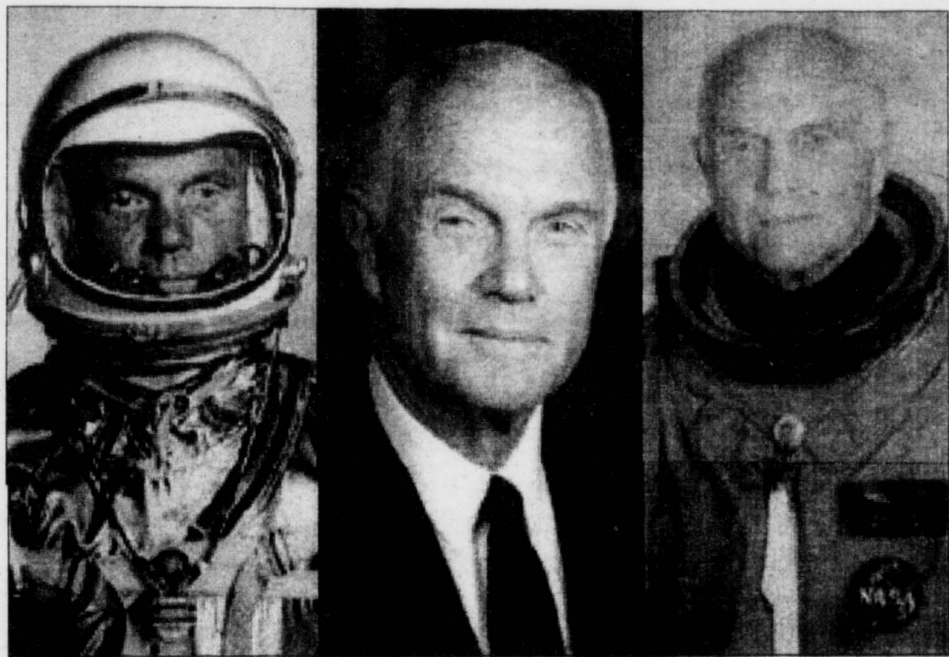


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Astronaut, Senator and now Astronaut again, John Glenn sets his sights on another journey into outer space this week on Space Shuttle Discovery.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The American space odyssey that began with humble little rockets barely nicking the ionosphere now reaches, through Hubble's beady eye, almost to the beginning of time.

Its human face across the decades is that of John Glenn of New Concord, Ohio.

Rewind to 1962: John Glenn becomes the first American to orbit the Earth. There are no communication satellites, no Mission Control in Houston, no touchdowns — only splashdowns.

Pause at 1998: Thirty-six years later, hundreds of satellites circle the globe, ordinary laptop computers help fly the space shuttle. Voyager 1, which has been racing through space for 21 years, is about to depart the solar system. And John Glenn, at age 77, is back for an astonishing encore.

A septuagenarian in space is one example of science fiction creeping ever closer to science fact. Another is NASA's launch Saturday of the ion-propulsion engine on a test cruise. Such an engine

could cut at least two years — perhaps five — off the 10-year journey to Pluto, the outermost planet in the solar system, nearly 4 billion miles from Earth.

Rocketing back to the future with Glenn on Oct. 29 aboard space shuttle Discovery provides a peek at what might lie ahead.

The world's oldest astronaut hopes his return to orbit will usher in a new area of geriatric research, and that more seniors will fly as test subjects.

"Being able to start out for the second time in my life on a brand new area of research — wow," Glenn says. "We've got 83 different science and research projects. Eighty-three on one blooming flight! It's just great."

Others have loftier expectations: that it will give space exploration, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, a new lease on life and demonstrate to the public that space tourism is no longer a fantasy.

"You can tell them a million times that in flying these things just like airplanes, they'll be going to the moon on vaca-

tions," says Apollo 12 moonwalker Alan Bean. "You can tell them all that, and they don't hear it or believe it. But I believe that John Glenn will change all that in one flight."

Glenn has changed things before. He could change things again.

The odyssey began, in 1961, with a pair of 15-minute suborbital hops. But it took Marine Lt. Col. John H. Glenn Jr.'s three orbits of Earth, on Feb. 20, 1962, to put the United States in the same league as the Soviet Union, which already had lifted two men into orbit. The moon suddenly seemed within grasp, as President Kennedy had promised. Within seven years, it was.

Glenn's 140-plus orbits aboard Discovery will be victory laps, a sentimental nod to the past that points out just how boring the space program has become since the Apollo moon landings, says Alex Roland, a former NASA historian who teaches history at Duke University.

"In the late 20th century, the only thing that will get public interest in the space program is sort of the celebrity politics that Hollywood plays and everybody plays," says Roland.

"That trivializes whatever the hell it is that is going on on shuttle flights."

Homer Hickam Jr., a retired NASA engineer turned author, finds it "kind of a telling comment that all we can do for John Glenn is carry him back into low-Earth orbit as we did in 1962. That's still all we can do."

Still, "all we can do" seems plenty. Apart from landing on the moon and sending space probes to the edge of the solar system, America has launched 91 shuttle flights over 17 years. These have delivered satellites, captured satellites and repaired satellites. Today so many countries are putting so many satellites aloft that space is running out of parking slots.

NASA today launches an ion spacecraft

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA today launched a spacecraft that can think for itself and is driven by ion propulsion — the stuff of "Star Trek."

Deep Space 1 blasted off through clouds aboard an unmanned rocket, bound for an asteroid 120 million miles away.

The mood was tense as launch controllers awaited word as to whether Deep Space 1 had catapulted out of Earth orbit as planned; the incoming data were unreadable. Then tracking stations were slow to acquire signals from the spacecraft, and engineers had to send commands to make sure the solar wings were unfurled.

The good news finally came two hours after liftoff: Deep Space 1 was on the right course and in good shape. Launch controllers applauded and hugged.

"We can start breathing again," said NASA launch manager Ray Lugo.

The successful morning launch kicked off NASA's New Millennium program of "high risk, high payoff" technology missions that the space agency hopes will lead to frequent, affordable trips into space.

"Deep Space 1 is taking the risks so that future missions don't have to," said Marc Rayman, chief engineer and deputy mission manager at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

Monitoring the craft's propulsion system, which will keep the craft steady and headed in the right direction when it leaves the rocket, will be Wichita-native Todd Barber.

"This project is exciting because it's futuristic — we're testing things that have never been used before, and some of them are right out of 'Star Trek,'" Barber, 32, said Friday from California.

Though ion engines have flown before, Deep Space 1 is the first deep-space probe to rely on such a device for primary propulsion. Ground controllers plan to fire up the engine in a few weeks, once they're sure everything is working.

The solar-powered engine will provide the extra kick needed for the winged, drum-shaped spacecraft, which weighs just over 1,000 pounds, to rendezvous with asteroid 1992 KD next July. It will travel an estimated 450 million miles before catching up with the moving asteroid.

A small Delta rocket started the probe on its budget-priced \$152 million journey.

If it weren't for the ion engine, Deep Space 1 would need 10 times more fuel to reach the asteroid. As it is, the spacecraft carries a scant 180 pounds of xenon gas to run the engine, reducing the size of the probe and, consequently, the cost of the mission.

Here's how the ion engine will work: Xenon gas is bombarded by electrons. The resulting xenon ions are drawn toward high-voltage grids and spewed into space at a speed of more than 62,000 mph. This glowing blue stream of xenon ions is what provides the gentle yet constant acceleration for months, even years.

Important dates in history of space exploration

Oct. 4, 1957: Soviets launch Sputnik as first artificial satellite.

April 12, 1961: Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin becomes first person in space.

May 5, 1961: Alan Shepard becomes first American in space.

Feb. 20, 1962: John Glenn becomes first American in orbit.

June 16, 1963: Soviet cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova becomes first woman in space.

Jan. 27, 1967: Gus Grissom, Edward White II and Roger Chaffee die in Apollo 1 spacecraft fire on launch pad.

July 20, 1969: Apollo 11's Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin land on moon.

April 19, 1971: Soviets launch world's first space station, Salyut 1.

July 17, 1975: American Apollo and Soviet Soyuz spacecraft link in orbit.

April 12, 1981: Columbia soars on first space shuttle flight.

June 18, 1983: Sally Ride becomes first American woman in space.

Jan. 28, 1986: Challenger explodes just after liftoff, killing all seven on board.

Feb. 20, 1986: Soviets launch Mir space station.

April 25, 1990: Hubble Space Tele-

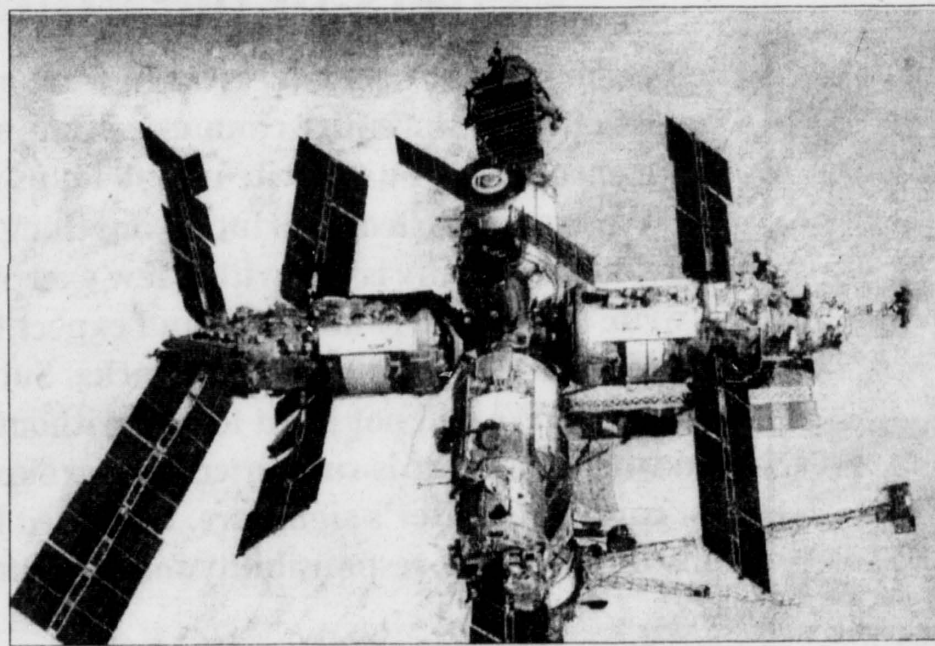


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Soviet space station Mir was launched in February of 1986.

scope is released into orbit.

Dec. 2, 1993: First Hubble repair mission is launched.

March 14, 1995: Norman Thagard is first American to be launched on a Russian rocket. Two days later, he becomes first American to visit Mir.

June 29, 1995: Atlantis docks with Mir in first shuttle-station hookup.

Sept. 26, 1996: Shannon Lucid returns

to Earth after 188-day Mir mission, a U.S. space endurance record and a world record for women.

Nov. 19, 1996: Story Musgrave, at age 61, becomes oldest man in space.

Oct. 29, 1998: Discovery is scheduled to blast off, carrying 77-year-old John Glenn back into orbit and making him oldest man in space. End adv for any time

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Watch the tricks ; beware the treats

Now we know that just about all of you will be out this weekend getting all of the great little goodies and treats that you can stuff into your coat pockets. Right now, we would like to take a couple of minutes of your time to talk to you about something very important. This Halloween can include lots of laughs if you follow a couple of these simple safety tips.

First to consider is your safety while out trick or treating. Make sure that you travel with a group. There is strength in numbers.

Do not travel down dark or unlit streets. Keep yourself out of areas that are away from other trick or treaters.

Wear bright or reflective clothing. This will help motorists to see you walking in the night. And keep a flashlight or glow stick on you at all times.

These simple tips will help to ensure that your trick or treating experience will be safe and enjoyable. They will reduce the risks of accidents and keep you well within the distance of getting help, if necessary.

Another thing to remember is the candy. Being safe this Halloween does not end the minute you walk back in your door.

Examine any candy you get closely. Make sure that it has not been tampered with in any way. Any candy that you find may have been tampered with you should discard.

If you do not feel confident that you will be able to detect any tampering with any of your candy, many local hospitals will X-ray your candy for free in order to determine whether it is safe for consumption or not. They will be able to detect the presence of sharp objects within the candy. Objects that may be undetectable by any other means.

Also, know where your candy came from. Only trick or treat at houses that you know and trust. If you are certain of where the candy came from and trust where it came from, then the need for X-raying your candy may not be necessary.

If you live off-campus and are going to be giving candy out there are still a number of tips to keep in mind.

Keep the porch light on and the house well lit. This will keep the street well lit and help ensure the safety of the trick or treaters outside.

Do not let anyone into your home that you do not know or trust. The same dangers that the trick or treaters face outside you must be willing to face in your home.

Base the treats that you hand out on who you are giving them to. You would not want to give a small child a small piece of candy. Give them something larger that they will not be able to choke on.

Remember, if you do keep your lights on this Halloween, you are likely to get some children at your door asking for candy. Be friendly and courteous to them and try not to set a bad example.

Everyone of us was young and wanted to get as much candy on Halloween and have as much fun as we could. Let's give the same pleasure back to the kids.

All of these tips will allow all of us to have a great Halloween experience this year and allow us to have the opportunity to have the same fun come next year's Halloween. Be safe and take care of each other this weekend.

Compliments Flashlight on Coverage

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank Thomas A. Jones and Lisa Robinson for their fine coverage of the talk of Mark Goodman of the Student Press Law Center, who spoke here on Nov. 21. The Hazelwood decision is indeed important. It gives school administrators the right to stop student media from publishing material which, in the administrator's opinion, hinders the smooth functioning of the process of education, whatever that might be. And now it is now being interpreted as applying to colleges as well as secondary schools.

The censors are also using more and more the tactic of withholding funds. In an August ruling, a federal appeals court said that student activity fees could not be used to fund any campus activity—including a campus newspaper—which expresses political views opposed by the student.

More and more, our schools, public and private, are telling students to avoid the messy and divisive process of actually disagreeing with and

challenging each other, and becoming emotional while expressing their beliefs. It seems, however, that people have never been able fully to state, and advocate, their beliefs without making other people uncomfortable. Someone should stand up, in this increasingly "sit-down world," and tell the school officials that democracy gives us the chance to express ourselves at the top of our voices, if we wish, unless the critics can prove (and it should be hard to do) that we are actually harming them. It's as if school authorities equate being "acceptable" and being "a leader of tomorrow" with being inoffensive, as they equate "maturity" and "responsibility" with a lifestyle the community, and especially the employer, can "trust."

Sincerely,

Jay A. Gertzman

Co-Director, University Lecture-Film Series

Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the Flashlight office by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed. Submissions should include the writer's name, major, class, and telephone number.

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Letters to the Editor Policy

The Flashlight is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization the letter must carry the writer's signature. Unsigned letters tell us that the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than one or two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300-400 words.

The Flashlight reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length and clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off in Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday or mailed to the above address.

Commentary

Modern day technology creates f**ked up kids

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

Yesterday, people across the country, and here in Mansfield, PA, watched as astronaut John Glenn lifted off into space again.

The significance of this event is obvious: a man in his seventies, who traveled in space more than thirty years ago, once again soars the frontier of dark emptiness.

And yet, it seemed like it wasn't a big deal; at least not as big of a deal as it would have been the last time he went up. If this happened thirty years ago, there would be parades before he left and after he returned.

But in the nineties, we have no time for this. Sure, all the news agencies covered it, but it's not the same event it would have been.

And why not?

Because today our lives are cluttered with crap. If it's not the internet, it drugs. Or television. Or one of the countless other things we waste our lives on. It used to be a big deal when somebody went into outer space.

The "kids" would get programs in school and on the radio or television teaching them about astronauts and space. Today, we give the "kids" shows

on heroine hosted by some jackass more strung out than any of the interviews.

And we make it look cool. We put funky music in the background and use quick shots and crooked angles to create the impression of being "smacked out".

To bolster my contention that technology is destroying our world, another news segment sandwiched between Glenn's historic departure discussed a teenager standing trial for a senseless bloodbath including a gun, some pissed off punk and a bunch of his dead peers.

The variables existing today as to what causes kids to do the horrid things they are doing are perhaps more infinite than the number system, but I think I've pinpointed something.

Of all the things around today that weren't around "yesterday", video games encourage violence more than anything else (except maybe Jerry Springer) (and also "When Assheads Attack! Part 2 on Fox).

Seriously, there are games which undoubtedly contributed to some frigged up freak blasting away some of his classmates.

There are people reading this right now who have played games like James Bond in the past 24 hours or who

will play it in the next 24 hours.

I'm not Kreskin, but I'll bet somewhere on this campus this very newspaper will be part of the landscape of someone's room while they hunt someone else with a grenade launcher or a shotgun.

The newspaper with this commentary will be used for a variety of things. Some will use it to wipe up soda or beer or bong water. Others will use it to write down a phone number.

They will spend half their brain remembering where they wrote it and on what corner of what page.

They'll know in two weeks where the newspaper with the phone number was put and they'll know what color the pen was that wrote it.

But they won't take ten seconds to remember four simple digits.

Anyway, it'll be used for something while someone plays James Bond.

And if adults in college are hooked on it and playing it with intensity (and they are), I'll guarantee you these spoiled kids killing everyone are playing it as well.

They probably had games twice as violent and with more blood and gore.

Now, I know some will say "you theory is Hell-o-stupid. Lizzie

Borden hacked her parents to death and she had no Nintendo 64" and they would be right but, just as the sun shines on every dog's ass one day, it also misses a few each day and there's little we can do about it.

Some are going to slip through the cracks.

And then there's the Drew Carey Friars Roast which aired this week on Comedy Central. You can rate this crap all you want.

The fact of the matter is: Police Academy was rated R and Debbie Does Dallas was rated in the multiple X category and my grade school friends and I still managed to see them back then.

Should we ban all of this stuff? Some people will think I'm after some kind of riot where we take all of these things to the town square and burn them on a big fire.

Hell, no.

Just don't come asking me why little Skippy raped his dog and killed his siblings.

Feel free to write a doctoral dissertation on the subject if you want. I'll even give you a starting point: read Neil Postman's *Amusing Ourselves to Death*.

Just don't blame me; at the risk of losing all credibility with you, I voted for Perot.

Future of Social Security being debated is slogans and generalities

Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — It is a huge issue, President Clinton said but with details on hold until after the elections. Until then, the future of Social Security is being debated largely in slogans and generalities.

The issue remains the high-voltage third rail of American politics, risky to touch with specific campaign-season proposals for the overhaul needed to keep the system solvent as the drain of a booming retirement generation hits in 15 years and peaks in 30.

"You need to think about that when you go to the polls," Clinton told Democratic donors in Los Angeles. "Who do you want to make the complex ... decisions to reform Social Security?"

"It is a huge issue."

Republicans think so, too, accusing Clinton of double talk on the use of the budget surplus, which their congressional leaders want earmarked for tax cuts as well as Social Security financing.

There are exceptions to the generality rule on both sides.

Broadly put, Republicans favor an overhaul that would put increasing shares of Social Security money into private investments, an idea that gained headway when the stock market was soaring but has been shaken by its declines.

The administration opposes privatization of Social Security but is open to the investment of part of the money. While liberals oppose that option, it does have Democratic supporters in Congress.

But Clinton has centered his case on the use of the surplus, rather than on details of a financial plan.

Such a plan will require unpopular steps, probably an increase in the Social Security retirement age already going up gradually to 67 in 2025 and possibly limits on future cost of living increases.

Republicans know the risk of tinkering with the cost-of-living increases; they counted it the issue that cool them Senate control in 1986.

Clinton framed this Social Security debate in his State of the Union message, declaring that every penny of projected budget surpluses should be saved until the future financing of the system is settled. "Save Social Security first," he said, in what has become an eight-month refrain, to counter Republicans seeking tax cuts with part of the surplus.

Republicans are using much the same slogan. Their campaign committee produced a television commercial for House candidates saying they delivered the surplus and they want to save Social Security while cutting taxes, too.

In that 30-second spot, "Save Social Security" is repeated four times.

Clinton argues that they wanted to "squander the surplus" on the \$80 billion, five-year tax cut that passed the House but died in the Senate, in the face of a certain filibuster and a veto threat.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich said the Senate blinked, and that Republicans will be back next year, bolder after the elections, and ready to push the tax cut. He said they will force a separate debate on taxes. "We're going to take away the mask of saving it all for Social Security," Gingrich said.

But the power of the issue was displayed when House Democrats almost won an attempt to reserve all of the projected surplus until the Social Security problem is solved.

The vote was 216-210, and GOP leaders had to scramble to avoid that bar to their tax cut plan. The House then voted to set aside 90 percent of the surplus, room enough for the tax cut Republicans vow to press again.

Actually, Clinton's insistence on saving every cent didn't hold anyhow. The catchall spending bill Congress passed to adjourn includes more than \$20 billion designated as emergency appropriations, which will come out of the surplus.

Republicans raise that against Clinton, but it was a collaboration, including items such as farm relief and extra Pentagon spending most of them advocated, too.

Clinton has called a White House conference on Social Security for Dec. 8-9, aiming for "a bipartisan solution early next year."

"I believe we must save Social Security and do it next year," he said. "I pledge to work with anyone from any party who is serious about this task."

It will take a consensus to shape.

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Midnight movies and life planing at age 5 something

Josh Cusatis
sleep wanted

The other day, I was involved in a conversation in an English class of which I am taking that brought a memory raging back to the front of my mind. I had almost forgotten it which would have been a real loss for myself because it is one of the most important memories of my life.

We were talking about turning points in our lives and our earliest memories. I remembered that in the late Seventies and early Eighties movie theatres would have midnight showings of movies that had been out for a while (this is before the days of VCR's). Some of these movies were rock concerts that bands had released as movies during the Seventies.

My parents had taken a liking to taking me to the theatres with them. I don't know why but I do remember seeing "Star Wars" and "Monty Python's: The Meaning of Life" in 1977 when they both were released. I was two.

I don't remember exactly when this happened, but one night my parents took me along with them to see "The Song Remains the Same." For those of you who don't know, this is a concert movie by Led Zeppelin in the middle Seventies, was released a couple of years later and made its way to late-night movie theatres across the nation.

Now I admit that I do like Led Zeppelin but they are not my favorite band. However, this band does play a major part in my life. This is where the turning point of my life comes in. You knew it would.

I remember seeing Jimmy Page up on that wall playing his guitar, having fun and dancing around like a dork. Right then at that second I knew that I wanted to play guitar and would have to do anything I could in order to do so. I realize that at such an early age it might be questionable to call this instant a turning point in my life. It might be more closely defined if it were called a solidifying point in my life.

No matter. I do now play guitar and the desire I felt that night approximately 20 years ago has been brought to realization. I never thought of this story as I was learning to play but I guess it helped shape my just as much as any conscious thoughts I felt during the time.

The question is how many times do these things happen to us in our lives and do we have the good sense to follow them. So far, this is the only one that I can really remember with any distinct clarity but I am sure that there are many turning points I am just not aware of. As with a good many other people.

I refuse to think any further into the possibilities that could have happened if the movie had been anything different. I'm glad it wasn't a Woody Allen movie. I really don't want to know how that would have ended up.

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Drawn naked in porcelain

Blurred by the flow

Flourescent

Underwater

Blurred by the flow

Eat leg beneath bed

Under the ground

Where Lennon fell

BY ILLITERACY

"We gotta fill this thing with Epsom salts and jam it on over to the old folks home."

"Time to fertilize the lawn. A coupls of 500-pound bags should do it!"

"Hmm... Am I wrong, or did it just get fatter in here?"

"I wash myself with a rag on a stick."

"Damn you, Walt Whitman! I-hate-you-Walt-freakin' -Whitman! Leaves of Grass my ass!"

"We need more secret sauce. Put this mayonaisse in the sun."

"Thank you for coming. I'll see you in hell."

"Hmm... Better keep the egghead. He might come in handy."

"Hey, can I throw up in your bathroom? I'll buy something."

"Gentleman, start your whacking!"

"I discovered a meal between breakfast and brunch."

"Angry, angry young man."

"That's a woman? Dear Lord!"

"Hey, sometimes a guy just likes his skin to look it's yellowest."

Taken from the Simpsons

Campus Bulletin Board

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The Flashlight

Friday, October 30, 1998

Mountaineers take on winless Cheyney Wolves

by Joe Wagner
sports editor

The Mountaineer football team is heading into the biggest game of their season, the last one, against Cheyney. Mansfield is winless so far this season as are the Wolves.

The meeting is the 42nd between the two teams with Mansfield holding a 28-12-1 advantage over Cheyney.

The Wolves currently hold the longest losing streak in NCAA Division II with 40 consecutive losses.

"This is a big game for both programs and everybody knows it," Head coach Joe Viadella said. "Here are two programs that have improved this year and both deserve a win. Cheyney has one of the most productive passing attacks in the PSAC over the past three weeks and they have some very skilled players that have big play ability."

The Mounties are coming off from a disappointing 24-10 loss last week against Lock Haven University. Lock Haven jumped out to an early 17-0 lead against Mansfield on the strength of four long returns by the Bald Eagle's Jermaine Ballard.

Mansfield placekicker Tom O'Donnell kicked a field goal as Mansfield's only score of the first half. That 38 yarder capped off the scoring for the first half.

The Mountaineers added another quick score in the beginning of the first half. Lee Brannon capped off a 39 yard drive with a one yard plunge for a touchdown to cut the lead to 17-10.

The Mountie defense held strong on the next two Lock Haven possessions. Those two defensive stands were nullified by a pair of Mansfield fumbles that lead to a Bald eagle touchdown.

The Mounties drove into Lock



Freshman defensive end Jason Coleman set a freshman record with four sacks against Lock Haven University last Saturday.
photo by THAD WOODWARD

Haven twice in the last five minutes of the game but were unable to score.

The Mountaineer defense held Lock Haven to just 247 total yards on the afternoon. A key part of that defense was freshman defensive end Jason Coleman.

Coleman made eight tackles,

five of which were for a loss which resulted in a net negative 38 yards. He also had four sacks on the afternoon, a Mountaineer freshman record.

Overall, the Mounties registered seven sacks on the afternoon. Defensive end Anthony Frey made seven

tackles and Gabe Kamarousky and Frank Hanlon added six more stops apiece.

The Mountaineer defensive will be tested this week by a powerful Cheyney offensive attack that has come into their own in the last three weeks.

In their three games against Bloomsburg, East Stroudsburg and Kutztown, the Wolves have averaged 371 yards per game.

Senior quarterback Ameer Hayes has completed 81 of his last 153 passes to lead Cheyney's powerful passing attack.

The Mountaineers may be 0-8, but they have lost three games by just one touchdown or less. They have also played well, but committed key turnovers and mistakes.

The Mounties are 13 in turnovers having given up 13 more turnovers than they have recovered.

This game could be one of the most important games of the week in college football this week. Both teams are rabid for a win with this game being their best chance for a win all season.

This game will mean the season for both squads and will likely result in a contest with more surprises than a haunted house.

The key for Mansfield will be to put pressure on Hayes to disrupt the Cheyney passing attack. Unfortunately for the Mounties, senior defensive lineman Dan Ledebur will be out for the game with a neck injury. Junior linebacker John Maio will also be questionable.

"This really should be a great game for the fans and players. Here you have two teams that have been underdogs all season long and each team knows that this is the game to turning things around," Viadella said. "Both teams can move the football. The team that makes the fewest mistakes and the fewest turnovers is the team that is going to come out with their first win."

Liddick and Stewart to vie for Conference honors

special to the Flashlight

Brianne Liddick (Elmira, NY/Southside) and Todd Stewart (Hornell, NY/Hornell) will be out to earn All-PSAC honors when they and their Mansfield University teammates compete at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Cross Country Championship Saturday on the course at Clarion University.

One of the most impressive performances that the two put together was a pair of firsts and course records set at the Pitt Bradford invitational two weeks ago. Not only did Liddick and Stewart lead Mansfield to an overall first place and third place respectively, they

blew away course records by running a respective 16:26 and 25:33.

Liddick, a first team All-STC selection her senior year at Southside High School, has posted a solid season as seems to be peaking as the PSAC Championship approaches.

During the last three weeks, Liddick has finished first twice and posted a 37th finish out of 237 runners at last week's Gettysburg Invitational with a time of 19:04.28.

She hopes to become the first female runner in the history of Mansfield University cross country to earn All-PSAC honors with a finish in the top 15 runners.

Stewart, who was named the PSAC Men's Cross Country Rookie of the Year last season after finishing 17th



Todd Stewart

at the 1997 Championship meet, has finished no lower than fifth, including five first place showings, this season.

The Mountaineers will also be



Brianne Liddick

looking for strong showings from freshmen Nichole Beckel and Kelly Maines (Elmira, NY/Southside) along with Catherine Deithorn and Colleen Ryder.

MU hockey ends season with dissapointing loss

The Mansfield University field hockey team made a valiant effort in its season finale falling to a tough Houghton College team, 2-0.

The Mountaineers pressured the ball deep into Houghton territory, but were unsuccessful in scoring on the goaltending tandem for the Highlanders of Sarah Oblender and Liz Sherwood.

Mansfield's 21 shots were neutralized by the 22 shots taken by Houghton, with the Mountaineers holding the edge in penalty corners at 12-7.

Houghton scored its first goal at the 17:04 mark of the first half, on a shot by Judy Johnson that assisted by Susan

Ventresca. Ventresca figured in on the second tally as well, scoring off a pass from Kristen Embich at the 32:29 mark of the second half.

Mansfield finished the 1998 campaign at 4-11 overall, while Houghton closed out its season at 15-1.

The Mountaineers were led offensively this year by senior Christy Sunchych (5 goals, 1 assist) and sophomores Kristen Dunton (5 goals, 3 assists) and Jamie Huffcut (4 goals, 3 assists).

Junior goalkeeper Jen Manton finished the season with a 2.19 goals against average in 1,022 minutes played for the Mounties..



This year's edition of the Mansfield swim team includes Head Coach Danita Pokorny, Beth Bardo, Sarah Davis, Anne de Guzman, Bonnie remus, Jen Savage, Teresa Ulett, Candace Cippola, Cheryl Burley, Carrie Key, Jamie Tharpe, Nicole Mihalic, Heather Vance, Katie Darnielson, Melissa Vogt (manager) and student assistant coach Matt Fogg.

Mansfield women's hoops has solid recruiting class

The future of Mansfield University women's basketball just took a giant step forward.

Jennifer Nichols, a four-time All-NTL selection and the 1997-98 Twin Tiers Player of the Year, her sister Heather and North Penn's Christie Wilcox highlight the 1997-98 MU women's basketball recruiting class that may be the best class in the program's history.

"We're pretty happy that we got the players we did," Head Coach Luke Ruppel said of his first true recruiting class at MU. "When I came aboard last year, it was early in the summer and the type of players that were left to recruit were not the type of players to build a program around. So we decided to take our lumps, and we took a lot, last season with the players that were left with the program and concentrate on this year's class."

After suffering through a 1-25 season last year, Ruppel and assistant coach Ruth Henderson, hit the recruiting trail hard and came away with players from some of the best teams in the state.

"We signed some pretty good players from some very good high school programs," Ruppel said. "But I'm really excited about Jennifer, Heather and Christie. I looked at some of the past teams here and couldn't understand why the best players in the area were going somewhere else. I think we got three very good area

players and that they are going to go a long way to making us a competitive program."

The best of the group may be Jennifer Nichols. An NTL All-Star since her freshman season, Nichols was highly sought after by a number of schools. During her senior season, Nichols led Athens to a 22-7 overall record and NTL East Championship. She averaged 15.3 points and 6.7 rebounds per game while dishing out 2.6 assists. Nichols ended her career with a school record 1,528 points.

Nichols is expected to play the point or two guard at MU. Nichols won't feel alone when she first steps on the court at MU. Her older sister, Heather, also signed to play basketball at Mansfield after transferring from Bloomsburg University where she did not play basketball. A two-time All-NTL selection, Heather averaged 13.7 points and 11.0 rebounds her senior season at Athens. She is expected to compete at the three spot.

Wilcox was an All-NTL West and All-Twin Tiers honorable mention selection her senior season where she averaged 14.5 points and 4.5 rebounds per game. She is expected to compete at one of the guard spots.

Ruppel also added another set of sisters in Kate and Kelle Lerch out of Central High School in Erie. Kate is a 6-1 post player who averaged 9.9 points and 11.0 rebounds last season.

A two-time All-Metro selection, Kate is also Central's all-time blocked shot leader. Her older sister Kelle will join the Mountaineers after transferring from Penn State-Behrend. At 5-10, Kelle who holds the Central career record for rebounds, will vie for a starting spot at forward.

Michelle Izbicki also joins the Mountaineers from Central High School in Erie where she averaged 8.3 points and 8.0 assists last season. The 5-7 Izbicki will compete for a spot at guard.

The Mountaineers picked up two players from Altoona High School, the 1997-98 Pennsylvania State Championship runner-up at the class AAAA level. Brandy Lingenfeiter is a 5-11 forward who averaged 10.7 points and 9.0 rebounds a game last year. She will be joined by teammate Tracy Tyler who started as a sophomore for an Altoona team that won the State Class AAAA title and started again her junior year before suffering a wrist injury as a senior. She is expected to compete at point guard.

Allyson Buss scored more than 1200 points during her career at Notre Dame High School in Easton, PA. A two-time All-Colonial League selection, Buss averaged 16.4 points, 6.1 assists and 3.3 per game her senior season. The 5-7 Buss is expected to see action at one of the guard positions. The Mountaineer open the 1998-99 season at the Lock Haven University Tournament on Nov. 13.

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Special Report

Natural Disasters

Texas flood affects 20 counties in disaster

associated press

AUSTIN (AP) — The rough damage total from Texas' most recent flood disaster is up to nearly \$831 million, according to initial estimates from 20 affected counties.

The flooding that struck around San Antonio Oct. 17 before moving eastward to the Gulf of Mexico caused nearly \$570 million worth of damage to homes, according to the preliminary figures.

Businesses suffered another \$53.7 million worth of damage, and \$207 million worth of roads and bridges were damaged, the totals indicate.

At least 29 people died in the disaster, and 18,000 structures were affected, more than half of which were destroyed or severely damaged. The new damage estimate is double initial estimates.

"The disaster area covers more than 21,000 square miles about the size of West Virginia," state emergency coordinator Tom Millwee told the Austin American-Statesman.

"This is a large area with a lot of damage and a lot of debris."

State and federal officials said some of the preliminary damage figures are more "guess-timate" than estimate and cautioned against putting too much credence in the rising number. It'll be weeks before the total can be better stated.

Still, Millwee and others said the latest figures illustrate the severity of the flooding, which could rival the 1994 flood in Southeast Texas.

Robert Hendrix, who is heading federal relief efforts, said Tuesday that five relief centers would open today in New Braunfels, San Antonio, Cuero, Victoria and Wharton.

More than 300 people are expected to be working at a north Austin relief headquarters within a few days.

Hendrix said 10,300 people had applied for federal disaster assistance through a special toll-free phone line by Tuesday morning. Nearly 500 people remain in fifteen emergency shelters that remain open.



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Floods can be the cause billions of dollars of damage within the United States yearly.

Floods, such as this one in Salem, Oregon in 1996 can render entire counties in a state of disaster.

Volcano erupts in Japan

associated press

TOKYO (AP) — A volcano erupted in northern Japan on Sunday, sending a column of smoke 4,000 feet into the sky, the Japan Meteorological Agency said. No injuries or damages were reported.

Four small volcanic tremors were recorded after the eruption of Mount Komagatake. The meteorological agency urged caution for those living near the mountain.

A light coating of volcanic ash

covered cars in the town of Shikabe, 6 miles from the mountain.

The volcano last erupted in March 1996 without causing any damage.

A major eruption in 1929 killed two people and an eruption in 1856 killed 20. Another eruption in 1640 is believed to have killed about 700 people, NHK said.

The 3,700-foot high Mount Komagatake is 445 miles northeast of Tokyo on Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost main island.

Hurricane Mitch continues towards island of Jamaica

associated press

MIAMI (AP) — Hurricane Mitch grew quickly today, moving on a course toward Jamaica and prompting the Jamaican government to issue a hurricane watch for the island.

Forecasters, however, said they expect Mitch to take a westerly turn, possibly avoiding the island.

Mitch had lingered as a tropical storm in the western Caribbean on Friday, but its winds intensified quickly after sunset, said Ed Rappaport of the National Hurricane Center.

At 10 a.m. CDT today, the hurricane, with sustained winds of up to 90 mph, was 225 miles south-southwest of Kingston, Jamaica. It was headed north at 7 mph.



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Mount St. Helens, in Washington state, is a good example of the destructive force of volcanos. When this volcano erupted on May 18, 1980, it destroyed hundreds of square miles of forest land.

Calender

Friday, October 30, 1998 at PSAC (Clarion University).
8 pm - Octoboe fest in Steadman Theatre.

8 pm - Zanzibar Halloween Party. "The Rocky Horror Picture Show." 12, midnight.

Saturday, October 31, 1998
1 pm - Football away at Cheyney University.
Cross Country away

2 pm - Swimming. Mansfield Relays.

Tuesday, November 3, 1998
1 pm - Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center, Memorial Hall.

6 pm - 5-Star Dining in North Manser Dining Hall.

Wednesday, November 4, 1998

4 pm - MU Lecture Series. "Indonesia in turmoil." 204, Memorial Hall.

Thursday, November 5, 1998

1 pm - International Discussion Hour in MLK Center, Memorial Hall.



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Student sexually assaulted in Cedarcrest

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

Mansfield University police officers are looking for a rapist who assaulted a female student in Cedarcrest Manor early Sunday morning.

Officers are still interviewing potential witnesses and have not released the name of the 18 year old student.

Chief of Police Christine Sheegan said the victim described her assailant as a white male, approximately 19-20 years old. She said he weighed approximately 175 pounds and has brown hair. He is believed to be between five feet seven inches and five feet eight inches tall and having a stocky build.

Sheegan added that there were

no witnesses to the crime and the attacker did not use a weapon during the attack, which occurred between midnight and 2:00 am Sunday morning.

Further details were not yet available and Sheegan noted that police are continuing the investigation, focusing on the scene of the attack and continuing their interviews with students and the victim.

Cedarcrest Manor houses both male and female students, although police do not know if the attacker is a student or a visitor.

Until this incident, Mansfield University has not had an incident of sexual assault reported this semester and Sheegan does not believe there is a threat

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photo by Meehan

Police are investigating a sexual assault that took place November 1st. The rape occurred in Cedarcrest Manor. Pictured above is the Cedarcrest front desk.

Campus radio station down for remainder of semester

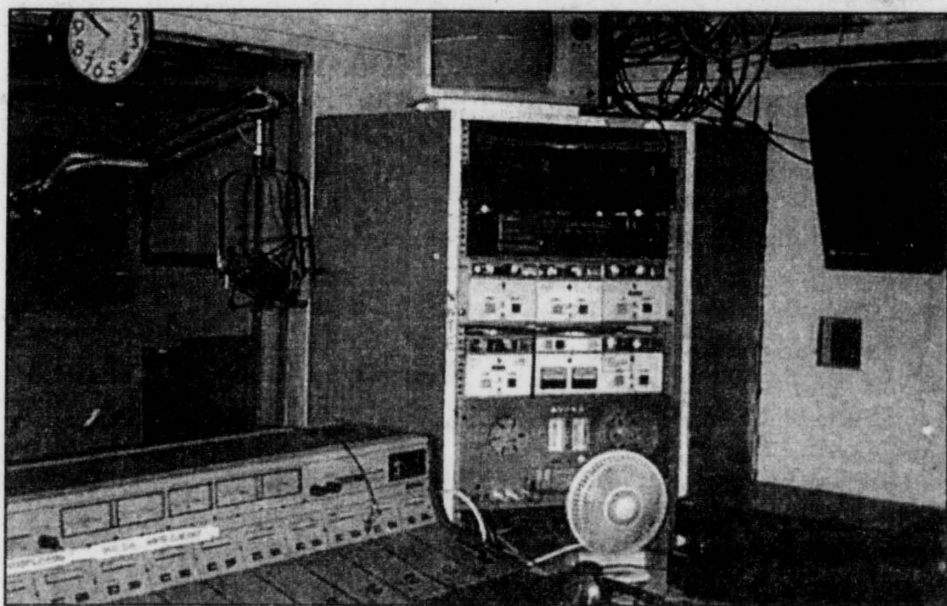


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WNTV's studio will remain empty for the remainder of the semester due to technical difficulties.

Gene Yager
co-editor

On Tuesday, November fourth, the executive board of Mansfield University's radio station WNTV voted to cancel programming for the remainder of the semester.

The station decided to cancel the remaining programming for the semester after the transmitter and the studio control board broke down.

"We decided it would be in the best interests for the station to cancel programming for the semester," Jason Crundwell, WNTV executive board member said.

While the transmitter problem may consist of only a few loose wires, Crundwell said that the broken control

board was what presented the largest problem.

"We were going to try to go with a temporary setup but due to technical aspects involved, it would be impossible,"

An FCC licenced engineer has been called from WETM-TV in Elmira to determine which repairs need to be made, Crundwell said.

In order to pay for the new control board, WNTV will go before the Committee on Finance to request emergency funding, Sandy Madej, public relations director of WNTV said.

Crundwell said that the new control board would be digitally compatible for digital audio, a direction Crundwell said many radio stations are

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Mounties break Cheyney's 39 game losing streak

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

After breaking Cheyney University football's 39 game losing streak Saturday, the Mansfield University football team faces the daunting task of rebuilding and finishing the remaining games of the season amidst unfounded rumors of restructuring.

The Mounties 40-13 loss to a team that went unbeaten for almost five years hit the small university hard; in the past two seasons, MU has only one victory and speculation began spreading

about possible changes in coaching.

Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Maresco, who is involved in the process of reviewing Head Coach Joe Viadella's contract, discounts any rumors concerning the former World League of American Football coach whose four years at MU have produced a 5-36 record after Saturday's loss.

"Renewal decisions are made at the end of the season but we decide them on other issues," Maresco said. "There are many more important things than winning."

Maresco said that a set of criteria have been established including, but

not limited to the academic well-being of the student and how the players act on an off the field.

"In a Division II school, it is more important that athletes graduate," he said. "We'd love to win but that's not practical. We look at how the coaches treat the players. A lot has to be said about how coaches handle these players."

While Maresco contends that victory, or lack thereof, do not factor largely in athletic staffing decisions, he can sympathize with the team.

"I think everyone's disappointed. I feel sorry for the players," he said. "They've worked hard. Some games have been close, but close doesn't put them in the win column."

Director of Sports Information Steve McCloskey can also sympathize with the team, but adds that recent additions to the Cheyney roster have made them more competitive than anticipated.

"Is it a disappointment? Yes. It's humbling but they've (Cheyney) put in a new quarterback and wide receiver," he said. "When Cheyney played Bloomsburg University, East Stroudsburg University and Kutztown University they combined for more than 300 yards."

Cheyney quarterback Ameer Hayes and wide receiver Bobby McRae combined for a touchdown in the third quarter of Saturday's game. Hayes ended the day with three touchdown passes and McRae totaled 196 yards.

Like Maresco, McCloskey denies any discussion of replacing Viadella.

"No one has ever said anything like that to me. There have been no messages calling for any ousting or anything like that," he said. "We had 17 people call in with the score and you could hear

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Correction

Last week, the Flashlight incorrectly reported that Alpha Sigma Alpha was involved with the North American Food Dive. Alpha Sigma Tau, was the sorority involved

Campus Voices

"What do you think of WNTN's technical difficulties?"

by Darren A. Meehan



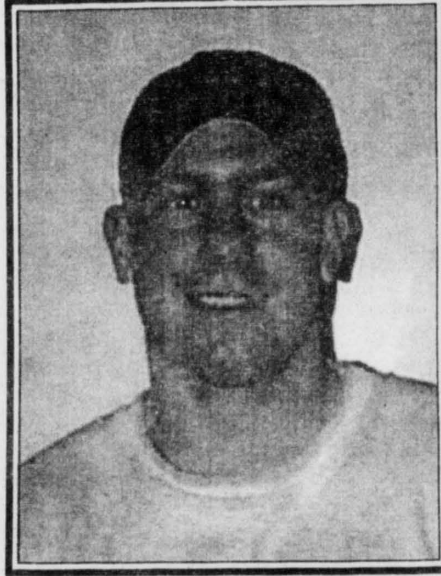
Erin Reynolds
Sophomore

"It's the only reason I came to Mansfield, so now I'm transferring."



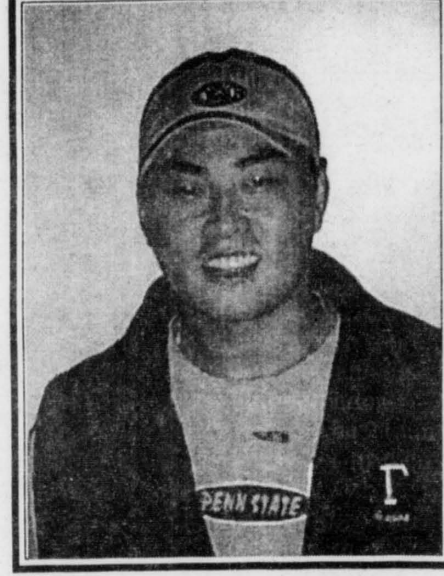
Shawnta Collins
Sophomore

"I don't listen to it."



Adrian Dumchus
Senior

"I didn't know there still was a radio station"



Mike "Wang" Mesics
Senior

"It's going to affect my life greatly."

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their reaction."

The day after the game, newspapers around the state and beyond covered the results. The banner headline in the Philadelphia Inquirer Sunday Sports Edition proclaimed 'The Defeat of Agony'. McCloskey wasn't surprised by the coverage.

"This was a story going into it," McCloskey said.

One group not mentioned in the article was the MU football team.

Assistant coach and former team captain Jason Donatti thinks the game will impact the players for years.

"Our players were really upset about it; it was hard for them," he said. "It was a big blow to their pride. It's something they will remember for the rest of their lives."

The loss also forced coaches to reexamine their strategy once the shock

of the loss subsided.

"The coaches were at a loss for words," Donatti said. "We knew something went bad but we don't know if it was us or the players or a combination of things."

Donatti said the coaches are watching players and trying to focus on the rest of the season and beyond.

"We try to see which ones are taking all these losses to heart. Especially the freshmen, we're trying to get a feel for what the younger guys are thinking. The older guys know the deal and they have to tell the younger players that things are going to get better," he said.

McCloskey, speaking about the loss, looks to the future for Mountie football.

"Nobody's happy; nobody's pleased. What happens now? I don't know."

Coach Viadell could not be reached for comment.

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to the safety of other students.

"I don't think there is a threat to the campus community," she said.

The assault comes weeks after MU announced that it will host a national advocacy conference in the Spring.

Members of the MU Advocacy Association announced earlier in October that the university will be hosting the 8th Annual National Student Conference on Campus Sexual Violence from March 26-28, 1999. The theme for the event will be "Imagine a World Without Sexual Violence".

Stephanie DeNicola, conference coordinator, has been approached by students asking questions relate to the attack. Some questions referred to rumors spreading around campus while others relate to how students can defend themselves.

"I've had a lot of people asking me questions but I'm not at liberty to speak about it," she said. "We encourage students to take karate classes so they can defend themselves in a situation like this."

For now, Sheegan and campus administrators are also taking steps to avoid another incident.

"If you see suspicious people in the dorms, call the police and we'll do a walk through," she said. "Students

should also lock their doors whether they're inside the room or not."

Sheegan explained that doors should be locked when the resident is away to protect valuables and it should also be locked when a student is home to protect the individual.

Joe Miller, Assistant Director of Residence Life for Cedarcrest, also addressed the incident. Miller and the Resident Assistant on the floor where the woman lived held a floor program this week to address fears and other concerns of women living in the dormitory.

"We talked about safety issues and wanted to make sure that people are escorted," he said.

Miller also stressed that students who observe any doors being propped open should close them.

"Students should not prop doors open and if they see a door propped open, they should close it," he said.

Doors leading into the building are locked after sunset and entrance can only be gained by walking through the front doors, which are guarded by student workers.

Anyone attempting to enter the building are stopped until identification is produced. Guests staying with a resident must register upon arrival.

Anyone with information, concerns or questions are encouraged to call campus police at (717) 662-4900.

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Cultures examined during discussion hour

Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

The similarities between cultures was demonstrated Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. during the International Discussion hour.

Students representing the United States, Bosnia, Russia, Japan, Hong Kong, and Sri Lanka were present to discuss the issue of pluralism and being sensitive to what other people do and to their culture.

The students discussed issues prompted by the video tape of a cashier who directed stereotypes at various customers as she checked them out. After each segment, Annie Cooper, Director of Multicultural Affairs at MU, paused the tape and asked the students to reflect on how the situation would be perceived in their country.

"Remember these tapes focus on the culture in the United States so for each situation remember to focus on your own culture," Cooper said at the beginning of the discussion.

The first situation dealt with the differences of cultures in what they eat. The cashier in the video asked an Asian shopper why she ate the foods she did, while thinking to herself that the tofu and the soy beans she was dragging across the counter were weird. Many students at the discussion hour said they believed in their countries the cashier would not

ask questions about why a person eats what they eat even if they thought it.

One student from Hong Kong said he didn't even know if a person in the United States would ask.

The discussion then moved to what different cultures eat for breakfast.

"We do not eat cereal for breakfast," one student from Bosnia commented. "When I was at a friends house and he asked me if I wanted some I said yes because everyone else was eating it."

The student added later that in Bosnia common foods for breakfast are those which are served hot such as milk and a choice of meat. A student from Russia agreed and shivered as she said she found it odd that people in America drank soda with ice in the morning.

The student from Bosnia laughed and added he had never seen people eat so much ice cream as they do in the United States.

The discussion then moved from food to whether appearance or personality shapes peoples opinions of each other, as prompted by a scene in the video which portrayed the cashier looking disdainfully at an overweight woman.

Concern about being overweight seemed to be a concern in all the cultures represented as some laughingly admitted spending a good portion of their free time at the fitness center. The students also discussed whether appearance or personality was what attracted people



Annie cooper, head of Multi-cultural Affairs led the international discussion hour.

to each other in Romantic relationships.

"They have a saying in Russia that 'man likes woman by eye, woman likes men by ear,'" the one student commented suggesting that woman look at men for who they are and what they do while men first see woman for what they look like.

A student from Japan demonstrated the similarities in all cultures when he said that how people see each other depends on their age. The student said when a person is in junior high they judge people by their looks but as they get older personality becomes more im-

portant.

The discussion ended with the international students expressing surprise at returning to their countries and seeing that they were becoming similar to the United States concerning multiculturalism.

"When I returned to Japan this summer I had culture shock with my own country," one student said.

The International Discussion hour meets every week, Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Martin Luther King Center in Memorial Hall.

Professor's lecture explores Indonesia

Liz Visotski
staff reporter

Dr. Albert Dalmolen continued the Mansfield University lecture series with his presentation, *Indonesia in Turmoil* on Wednesday, November 4th at 4:00.

"What's happening now in Indonesia is the slow, painful, death of a thirty year regime in the midst of an even more painful economic collapse," Dalmolen said.

This is an example for a world waiting to discover the outcome of the Asian financial crisis on both domestic elements and foreign policy and may foreshadow the status of the rest of the world at the turn of the century.

Indonesian banks fell in August of 1997, he said, plunging the coun-

try into recession, and then depression. On top of that, currency fell 80 percent and inflation racked the country making necessities nearly impossible to buy and causing rioting.

The crossroads to the Far East, Asia, China, and Australia, Indonesia has been a part of U.S. policy since the 1950's.

The United States has even gone so far as to threaten the government of the island nation to either change leaders or face repercussions.

If it were to go Communist, the Western powers would face a serious threat, Dalmolen suggested.

This past May 1,200 people died in riots in the capitol of Jakarta and an entire chinese district was burned down.

In the recent weeks there have been riots regarding a wide variety of topics from parliamentary election de-

tails being discussed for the May 1999 election and the December 1999 presidential selection, to talk of some islands ceding.

There is no overlying theme for the demonstrations. "You pick it, it's out there."

A chain of 13,000 islands in the South Pacific, Indonesia's population is now over two hundred million. The fourth largest population in the world has over a hundred different ethnic groups, and hundreds of languages and dialects.

Dalmolen said that the point of his lecture was to "provide a very basic framework for beginning to understand the internal dynamics of the Indonesian crisis and perhaps equally important, for appraising the much larger significance of these events...I hope you walk away from it with a feeling that Indonesia is indeed worth watching."

Graduate students' art work in gallery exhibit

Tom Jones
wire editor

The works of two graduate art students are on display at Mansfield University in the North Hall Gallery.

The two students are Jennifer Clark and Madame X and their exhibit, which features sculpture, watercolor, acrylic and others, is entitled "Woman."

The exhibit will be displayed in the North Hall Gallery until December 12. It is a combination of non-objective subject matter, still life, figure studies and examples of sculpture and craft.

Jennifer Clark is a native of Lawrenceville, and she holds a bachelor's degree in art education from MU. She is completing a master's in art education. She currently teaches art at Booth Elementary School in Elmira, NY.

Madame X has a bachelor's degree in elementary education from MU and also is completing her master's in art

education. She is an aid for the Southern Tioga School District. She is working with the seventh and eighth grade students learning in MU's Alumni Hall

this semester.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Fine Arts Committee and Student Government Association.

SGA discusses new laptops for freshmen

Sondi Strohecker
staff reporter

The Student Government Association met Monday night in Memorial Hall at 9:00 pm and learned of a plan whereby incoming freshmen would buy laptop computers.

The idea that freshmen might purchase a laptop computer in their tuition costs over the course of their four years in college seems eminent.

SGA Vice President E.J. Gallagher said details were not finalized but the plan would enable students to pay some of the cost in each tuition payment.

"Incoming students would get a laptop computer and the costs would

be spread out over four years of tuition payments, but this was the first I've heard of it", he said.

Ben Stevens, who introduced the plan to senators, suggested that this might be a reality by next Fall.

Michele Hosey, SGA president, read a memorandum from the state detailing that by July 1, 2000, student workers will be able to stop paying Social Security Taxes out of their income, which reflects as much as 15% of their gross pay.

Roger Maisner, Athletic Director at Mansfield University said 300 free child identification kits will be available at Saturday's football game.

SGA meets every Monday night at 9 pm in 204 Memorial Hall.

Film analyzed by psych club

Jason Birdsall
staff reporter

The Mansfield University Psychology Club held a viewing of *Good Will Hunting* on Tuesday evening in Allen Lecture Hall, to analyze psychological issues involving the film.

The film, *Good Will Hunting*, written by Matt Damon, and Ben Affleck portrays a 21 year old genius Will, played by Matt Damon.

The character Will is faced with many problems in life. As a young child he was abused by his stepfather. He felt that the reason why he was being abused, was because he caused problems for his stepfather.

This theory of self blame related to the idea of Internalized Oppression. Internalized Oppression was explained by Dr. Murray, a psychology professor attending the film.

He explained that people with Internalized Oppression feel that the reason they are being abused, is because they think it is their own fault.

They blame themselves for their own problems.

Throughout the film, Will interacts with a therapist, played by Robin Williams.

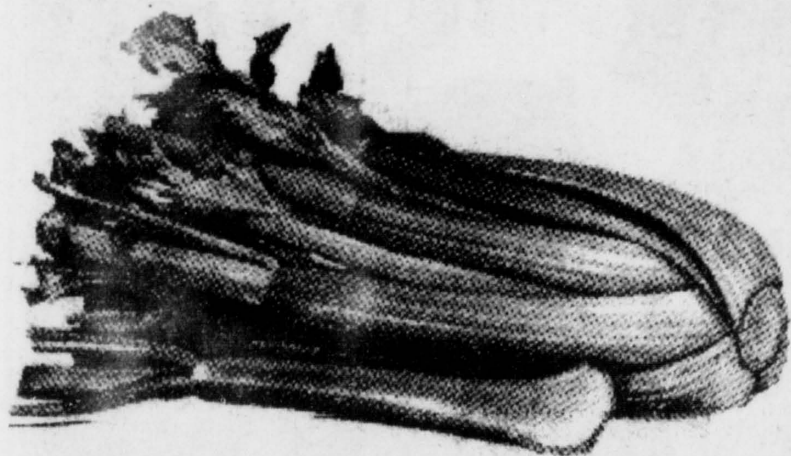
The therapist is also faced with a harsh past, and after weekly sessions they develop a healing process between them.

This film will grasp you, and show you what it is like to have troubled experiences bottled up inside you.

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Dr. Murray stated, "This is a very emotional film, and everyone who watches it feels something."

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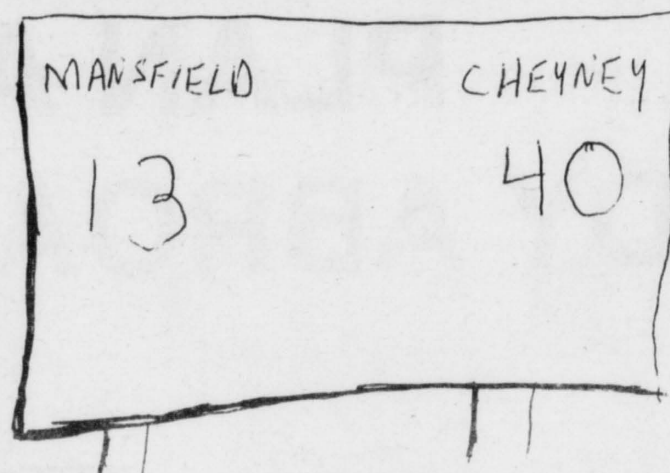
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Coach Wanted

After this weekend's loss to Cheyney University, it is time we reevaluate our commitment to the men and women who spend their days giving us a football team. With the loss at the hands of Cheyney, a team that caught national headlines for its losing streak, we must make some effort at improving the situation.

But where do we look for solutions? The players themselves cannot be blamed. Our university recruits some of the best players around and they spend countless hours studying, practicing and training for their sport.

The situation with the football team cannot be blamed on the players. They come and go and we still struggle with our competition. Some will say that the Division II schools don't invest enough money into the programs but we disagree.

We, the editorial board at the Flashlight believe the changes need to be made at the level including the head coach. In his time here at MU, coach Joe Viadella has received some excellent players and had the resources to make the team more competitive than they are. The boys come and go yet he remains.

We feel that this man is the main reason behind the disappointment our football players feel week after week. If we're wrong, Coach has a few more games to prove it. This university does not judge the coach on his win/loss record when they review his contract as much as they examine his performance with the students and his commitment to academics. Why don't they?

Think about this for a moment. Would you want to play your heart out on a field, and be on ESPN because of a loss to Cheyney? Does anyone ever look at the actual events within the football game to show how well our team actually played? No, because they are too busy looking at the nominal score. Despite the fact that the stats for the team are less than desirable, wouldn't it only be fair to examine the coach as a viable source of the team's losing streak?

These guys go out week after week and put their guts and hearts on the line for a chance to reflect at the end of the day and say "We did our best." We don't think every coach must be replaced because there is some damn fine talent on the staff. It is time to look at Viadella and question whether he is doing the best job he can possibly do.

Over the course of his career here at MU, coach has accumulated (drumroll please) a grand total of 5 wins in four years. A change needs to be made. Being that this is a University, players come and players go. Coach just keeps on losing. A question needs to be asked: how much longer are the students of Mansfield University expected to pay the salary of a coach who has shown beyond a shadow of a doubt that he is incapable of succeeding at his appointed job.

If a professor were to show, during the first four years teaching at MU that he or she was not even remotely competent; that professor would be packing his bags.

Coach Viadella, please, do what is best for Mansfield University. Submit your resignation. Perhaps Mansfield just is not the place for you to coach. Perhaps you would be more successful somewhere else.

The fact of the matter is this: Mansfield University is sorely in need of a new football coach. Someone with a new direction. Someone who will be getting a fresh start, and can begin with a clear head. It is time Mansfield begin shopping for a new football coach. We have 39 good reasons to support this.

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Commentary

Editor ponders what happened to campus radio station

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

As we are reporting this week in the newspaper, the campus radio station, WNTS 89.5, is done for the semester.

Technical glitches and old equipment are believed to be responsible for the dead air, but I have a few other theories.

For starters, the "Curse of Sunday Evening Bingers" could be responsible.

When the campus lost the Bingers, we lost the safety included. As long as I've been here, students could count on a damn good show Sunday nights. The kids could listen to the show and they could "participate" or "play along" if they wanted to.

And when the Bingers spilled their water and packed it up, one could

almost hear it in the broadcasts after the Bingers stopped ringing.

A great deal of the Sunday night lineup made Giant 89.5 worth listening to. Before listening to "The Eclectic Sick My Duck", which included two full hours of good music, we had the Bingers.

Two hours of music and conversation. Sometimes the conversation included accounts of drug abuse. Other times they reacted to something going on around the campus. At times, they agreed with the Flashlight and at times they disagreed. Whatever they talked about, it was good to hear.

In the past few years, someone decided that what we needed was a solid dosage of R&B. And so I offer my next theory: maybe the "Curse of Classic Rock" is responsible.

The "Curse of Classic Rock" vowed revenge many years ago when people like Marilyn Manson became

"rockers" and their crud swept the airwaves like a mushroom cloud over a Japanese island.

All of a sudden, people like Led Zeppelin and the Grateful Dead were fighting for air space with a bunch of no-talents like the Spice Girls and Hanson and the Backstreet Boys.

And then there's the "Curse of the Upgrade". Somewhere, in a dark corner of some building on this campus is a bunch of equipment that will upgrade the radio station so that people from as far as Williamsport and Elmira could listen.

My last theory involves all those people who used the radio station as an opportunity to speak disparagingly about others.

Perhaps all the bad karma from the complainers on the air clashed with the bad karma coming from those bitching about the radio station and it exploded in the hoopa-joo that makes the

hoozie that isn't working work.

What an unfortunate chain of events that would be. It would make the big bang seem as serious as a zit popping.

Whatever the cause, there are a few remedies:

For starters, get the Bingers back. Make Sunday night more important than the rest of the R&B week.

Secondly, bring back the rock and roll. If the kids want to listen to the R&B let's mix it up some. Play the R&B mixed with the classic rock (aka Puffy's wet dream).

Finally, let's all accentuate the positive and ignore the negative. Let's move on and forget all the bad things. We'll make the bad karma good karma and, if that does work, they should play John Lennon's "Instant Karma" as the first song when they're up and running.

That might even make the "Curse of Classic Rock" go away.

Election results send no clear message from voters to Congress

Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — In elections that will deliver two more years of divided government in Washington, the messages of the voters may be as mixed.

A congressional standoff tilted toward the Republicans would produce no mandate for them, no franchise for the Democrats, no clear instructions on what people want done about President Clinton's misconduct and impeachment accusations.

And debates, on Clinton and on federal programs, to be resumed where they adjourned.

Even in an improbable turn in which the Democrats overrode history and gained control of the House, the Senate is securely Republican. The House is almost as certain to remain in GOP control.

Clinton talked on election eve of gaining a Congress in which he could propel his programs "if we had a little more balance ... if we had a few more Democrats." Big ifs, too big by most appraisals of the congressional outlook.

That outlook never was promising for Democrats in the off-year voting, in which the White House party has lost House seats every time but one since the Civil War. Their leaders once talked of reversing the 21-seat Republican majority as the campaign ended. Their more realistic aim was to cut losses just as the Republicans tempered their forecasts of gains.

In the end, both parties were trying to lower expectations, the better to claim success, or at least a successful defense.

So, for example, Sen. Mitch McConnell, chairman of the Senate Republican campaign committee, said a five-seat gain to 60 GOP senators was beyond reach. While it was not beyond Republican hopes, they didn't want that to be set as their marker.

In midterm elections since World War II, the president's party has lost an average of 27 House seats. Republican campaigners talked of gaining

half that number. House Speaker Newt Gingrich has said 10 to 40 a safe margin of error and then lowered it Monday to six to 30.

Actually, the averages are skewed this time, by the 52-seat Republican sweep four years ago, in the last midterm elections, eroded only by eight seats when Clinton won re-election in 1996.

Party gains and losses in the new Congress will be sifted for evidence on the mood of the voters about impeachment proceedings, due to begin later this month in the House Judiciary Committee, the last business of the old Congress.

While the impeachment investigation is set, by House vote, the duration and intensity of the process is sure to be marked by the elections. It was not a major issue nor, according to the pollsters, a significant motivator among voters, despite the late campaign Republican TV commercials on the scandal. Even so, the stronger the Republicans the greater the impetus for action against the president.

Far from that arena, the election of 36 governors carried a different set of signposts, with the strongest candidates in both parties tending toward the political center. Republicans already are strong in that lineup, with 32 governors now, and more likely after these elections. But Democrats could claim the greatest single prize in California, where Lt. Gov. Gray Davis was favored to take over.

Those state elections will affect national ones to come the governors chosen now will have a hand, or a veto, in determining the shape of House districts after the 2000 census.

The redistricting coming in 2001 also puts a premium on control of state legislatures, another arena in which Republicans have steadily gained. There were 46 legislatures at stake, and in half of them, shifts of three seats or fewer could reverse party control in one branch or the other.

Democrats control both branches in 20 states, Republicans in 19, with divided control in 10. One is non-partisan. But the Republican numbers have increased markedly since 1990,

when they dominated only six legislatures and Democrats had full control of 30.

There will be another round of legislative elections before redistricting, but the stronger party going into the 2000 balloting will have the advantage then.

Finally, these elections are the prelude to an open presidential contest

in 2000, the first campaign since 1988 without an incumbent. That will draw big fields in both parties. Vice President Al Gore has been the Democrats' chief national campaigner, with Clinton limiting his role to limited-access political events, 110 of them fund-raising affairs. That may help when Gore runs in 2000, since favors beget favors.

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The Dance of the Octopus

by
Matthew D. Noldy

I wonder what they think of me? I wonder if I care?
Alone I sit here all day long, waiting for your call.
No breeze upon the water
to blow the ships from shore.
These rolling hills, they frame my life,
holding me away from you.
Mountains crumble to the sea
like a time last passed by rocket ships.
The sun is soon to die and the stars
will take their place.
Darkness does me good- it creates a cover
for me to
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down to you.
The stars shine on the water, your ceiling is my floor.
two heavens, one above and one below.
I'm coming down to you, to watch the sunrise
from the ocean floor.
I'll dance with you my octopus love,
with eight arms to hold me- I'll return your love.
We'll glide across our coral dance floor,
While the sirens sing a manic song.

The golden age of music will return

Josh Cusatis
oh, the guilt

So now the radio's gone. At least for the rest of this semester, anyway. The basement halls of South Hall are no longer filled with music and the air has lost another buzz.

My colleague Darren's commentary makes a good point. The quality of music these days is in decline. Now there I go sounding old too.

Don't misunderstand me. I'm not saying that all music up until a couple of years ago is the only good music and it will continue to be that way. I'm sure that every decade has had tons of bands and musicians that were terrible. Think about how many bands you really do listen too from the Seventies for instance. Now think about how many bands there were trying to make a mark for themselves in that decade. Just as many as there are now. The situation doesn't change. Only a handful of bands from the Ninties are ever going to be remembered.

The trick is that you have to weed through all of the stuff that isn't going to be huge thirty years from now. Discard all of the garbage and find the stuff that really is good and has meaning.

I know that everything I listen too is not A material but at least I really do like what I listen too. I don't listen to just anything and everything that people tell me I should. If I ~~don't~~ like something, I don't listen to it. If I do like it, then I do listen to it. It's as simple as that.

Now as for the current lull in music that is apparent to even to a monkey in a cave. Popular music goes through cycles. An analogy: A writer has periods of great productivity and then also has periods where nothing comes. The dreaded "writer's block." Sometimes the experiences that are used in creating just get used up and had to be replenished for the next great spout of art.

Let's say that there is a popular musical consciousness. Right now there is a lull because that consciousness has to replenish itself with ideas and inspiration. It can't always be amazing. It's simply gearing up for the next great explosion. When that explosion will come and where it will come from is completely unknown but it will happen eventually.

We just have to realize that this is going to happen and when it does, as it is now, it gets harder to find the stuff that is of great worth and not just a good hook that's catchy.

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Friday Nov. 6, 1998

Mountaineers come home for season finale

The Mansfield University Mountaineers will close out the home portion of their 1998 football schedule when they host the Huskies of Bloomsburg University in a PSAC East match up this Saturday.

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

The game marks the final appearance at Karl Van Norman Field for seniors David Banyar, Mike Brezovec, Eric Chandler, Brent Clarke, Nate Davis, Pat Ginther, Matt Hanley, Pete Herchik, Dan Ledebur, Pete O'Connor, and Jeremy Richardson. All will be honored in pregame ceremonies.

The game marks the 72nd meeting between the two schools on the gridiron with Bloomsburg holding a 44-23-4 advantage after posting a 55-0 victory last season. The Mountaineers last victory came in 1992 by a score of 30-24.

The Mountaineers fell to 0-9 overall and 0-4 in the PSAC East with a 40-13 setback at Cheyney last Saturday. Bloomsburg improved to 4-5 overall and 3-2 in the PSAC East with a 50-39 come-from-behind win over East Stroudsburg.

Junior running back Lee Brannon romped for a season high 161 yards and two touchdowns at Cheyney, including a 94-yard sprint, the second longest run from scrimmage in MU history. Brannon was named to the PSAC Honor Roll for his outstanding performance.

Senior defensive back Matt Hanley also earned a spot on the PSAC Honor Roll with eight tackles and two interceptions at Cheyney.

The Mountaineers are 10th in the PSAC in total offense averaging 309.2 yards per game behind a front line that includes Mark Bristol, Eric Chandler, Pat Ginther, Chris Lordi, Jason Marlow, and Marcus Pokrinchak.

Brannon ranks fifth in the PSAC in rushing averaging 84.4 yards per game and four touchdowns. David Banyar has picked up 272 yards and leads the team with a 4.9 yards per carry

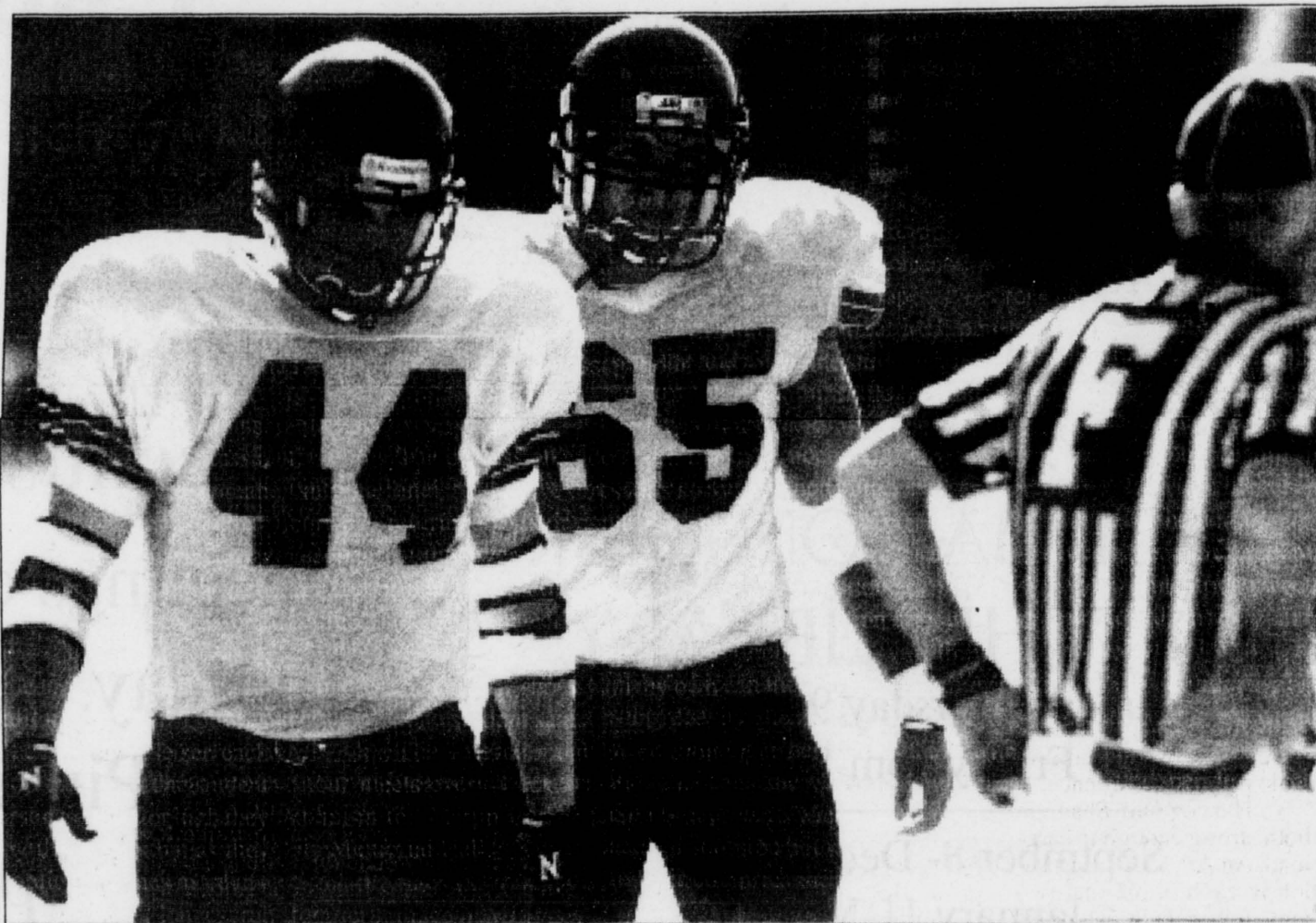


photo by Thad Woodward

Senior running back Nate Davis (44) and senior defensive lineman Pat Ginther will come home this week to face Bloomsburg in their last game as a Mountaineer.

average. Freshman quarterback Chris Hudak, who took over the starting spot three games ago, has completed 35-of-77 passes for 351 yards with three TD's. He has also run for 213 yards with one touchdown. Despite a nagging ankle injury, Nate Davis leads the MU receiving corps with 31 catches on the year for 385 yards and three TD's. Junior tight end Bob Woodward has 25 catches for 272 yards and two scores while Pete Herchik has pulled down 21 passes for 256 yards. Tom O'Donnell ranks among the conference's top kickers hitting 75%

of his field goal attempts and tops the team in scoring.

The defense has given up an average of 414.6 yards per game and is led by linebacker Jim Ludwig with 66 stops. Matt Hanley has 44 tackles along with two interceptions with fellow defensive back Ian Cooper recording 42 tackles to go along with a team best four interceptions. Jon Johnson and Gabe Kamarousky each have 35 tackles with Karl Buzak and Brad Piffath right behind them with 34 tackles each. The defensive front line is closing in on the team single season sack record with 20 so far this season. Freshman defensive end Jason Coleman set a school record with four sacks against Lock Haven and leads the team with seven overall sacks. Buzak has six sacks with Anthony Frey and Tyree Paterson with three and two each.

Danny Hale is in his sixth season at the helm of the Huskies program where he has posted a 44-16 mark. In 11

years as a head coach, Hale has an 84-32-1 overall mark.

Bloomsburg is coming off back-to-back wins in which they have scored 50 or more points. They are eighth in the PSAC in total offense averaging 352.1 yards per game, most of that coming on the ground. Arrastene Henry leads the ground game averaging 76.1 yards per game while Eric Miller and Chris Thompson have split time at quarterback where Thompson completed 10-of-21 passes for 111 yards in the start against East Stroudsburg, but was intercepted four times. Mike Lelko has a team high 65 catches for 735 yards and seven touchdowns.

The defense is led by senior safety Chris Orlando with 83 tackles and a conference best eight interceptions. Tom Maxwell and Troy native John Imbt have 73 and 70 tackles respectively.

The Mountaineers close out the 1998 season when they travel to East Stroudsburg next Saturday.

Mountie hoopsters help with reading assembly

The Mountaineer men's basketball team got involved in the community yesterday by presenting an assembly program to 250 elementary students at the Kent Phillips Elementary School in Corning, NY.

10 year Head Coach Tom Ackerman and his team demonstrated various basketball plays and techniques and helped some students at the school with basketball skills work.

The students then separated into groups and the players read stories

to the students. The storybooks were those with themes about flying, themes like the one promoted by the Mountaineer motto for this year: "Glide to 25."

Coach Ackerman and the basketball squad have long had a history of involvement in reading programs at the Warren L. Miller Elementary School in Mansfield.

The team was named The Special Olympics volunteer Team of the Year in 1990 by the Pennsylvania Special Olympics for their ongoing work with Tioga County Special Olympics.

MU runners go to Championships

Mansfield University sophomores Todd Stewart and Brianne Liddick placed highest for the Mountaineers last Saturday at the PSAC Cross Country Title Meet at Clarion University.

Stewart finished 29th to help the Mountaineers to a 12th place finish at the event. Stewart ran the course in 28:46. The only other Mountaineer finisher to finish in the top 50 was Gary

Keirn who placed 46th with a time of 29:49.

Liddick finished in 48th place with a time of 26:43. Kristen Clark finished 54th, Colleen Ryder placed 59th, and Nichole Beckel placed 60th.

Stewart and Liddick will continue to the NCAA Division Regional Championships at Slippery Rock University this Saturday.

MU swimmers set records

The Mountaineer swim team started their season last weekend by hosting the first Annual Mansfield University Relays.

Unfortunately for the Mountaineers, they finished third out of the three team spread that included Millersville and East Stroudsburg Universities. The Mounties gathered 128 points while Millersville finished first with 184 points and East Stroudsburg placed in the second spot with 154.

But what was good for the Mounties was that they got strong performances out of some newcomers. The Mounties also set four school records, a promising omen for the beginning of their 1998-99 campaign.

Freshman Teresa Ulett set a

new Mansfield record in the 1000 free event. Ulett finished the race in a time of 12:49.25.

Ulett was also a part of the record setting 400 medley relay team at the Mansfield Relays.

Sarah Davis, also a freshman, had a rookie premier like few Mansfield swimmers have ever had. She set two new individual Mansfield records and was a part of the record setting 400 medley relay team.

Davis set a new record in the 200 fly with a time of 2:21.71 and a new standard in the 400 IM with a finishing time of 5:12.97.

The 400 medley relay team set a record of 4:30.80 with three freshmen on the squad, Ulett, Davis, Carrie Key and sophomore Candace Cipolla.

MU men enter season talented but young

There are two things that are pretty much a sure bet about the 1998-99 Mansfield University men's basketball team.

The first thing is that returning co-captains Tommy Harvey, of Pottstown, and Steve Shannon, of Fairview, are two of the best players in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. The second is that Harvey and Shannon will have to carry a big load until the very young, but talented Mountaineers have time to season.

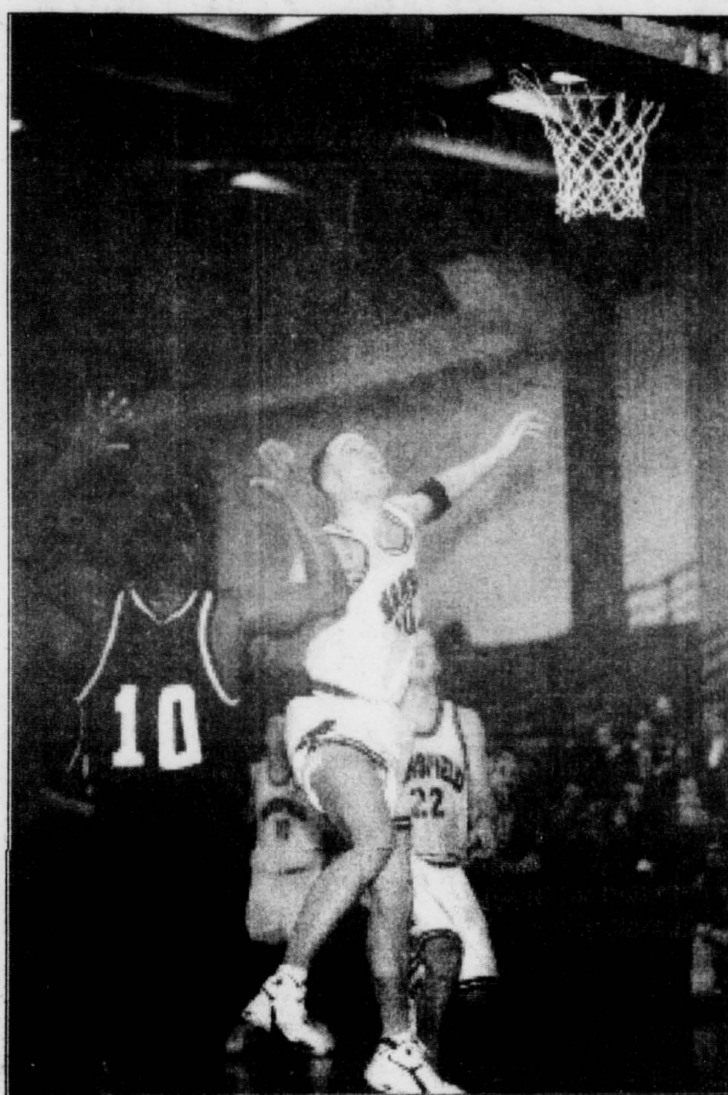
Now in his tenth season at the helm of the Mountaineers program, Tom Ackerman returns just four players off a team that came within one game of earning a berth in the PSAC Championship Tournament last season. All four were also members of the 1996-97 PSAC Championship team.

That means the nine freshmen that Ackerman has brought in this season will have a large and immediate impact on the success of this year's team and that may not be a bad thing.

With Harvey and Shannon, along with returners Anthony Brown, from Harrisburg, and Kevin Perluk, of Wilkes-Barre, the incoming class has the ability to learn from veterans while gaining valuable playing experience.

Harvey and Shannon are both strong enough to carry the load. An All-PSAC East selection in each of his first two seasons, few people can do as much on a basketball court as Tommy Harvey.

Last season Harvey ranked among the conference leaders in scoring (17.0 ppg),



Steve Shannon will be a force under the basket this year for the Mountaineers.

assists (5.5 apg), three-point field goal per game (2.8), three-point field goal percentage (.409), free throw percentage (.798) and steals (2.4 spg). In just two seasons he has scored 724 points while dishing out 211 assists.

Steve Shannon is a

rare four year starter who is in the best shape of his career. One of the most consistent rebounders in the PSAC over the past three years, Shannon is also an inside scoring threat who has averaged 10.0 points per game over the course of this collegiate career and is expected

to increase his point production this season.

Junior Kevin Perluk returns for his third season after starting in more than half the games the Mountaineers played last year. Perluk averaged 6.0 points a year ago and is not shy about firing up a three at any time. He will vie for a starting spot at the two spot, but also has plenty of point experience.

Junior Anthony Brown could start at power forward this year after spending two seasons as a key reserve and spot starter. Although not usually used as a scorer, Brown has a soft touch and is considered a tough defender.

The Mountaineers got a big boost in their long range firepower with the return of red-shirt sophomore Damoun Lopez, from York. As a freshman on the 1996-97 PSAC Championship squad, Lopez was feared as a long gun and scored more than 100 points.

Although slim in numbers, the returning veterans form a solid corps that have the ability to score and are hard nosed defenders.

But the hopes for a playoff berth lie with how quickly the freshman class can develop into quality NCAA Division II basketball players.

For at least two of those freshmen that development will come early. Damar Lopez is the little brother of Damoun and possess all of his brothers scoring prowess. Considered one of the best point guards in the state last year, Lopez has the ability to run the offense as a freshman and af-

fords Ackerman the luxury of moving Harvey to the two spot where he can become an even more productive scorer.

Chris Kreider, of Hummelstown, and Jim Davies, from Sayre, have both been impressive in the preseason, and both have the ability to earn starting spots. A 6-4 swing man, Kreider averaged 15 points and seven rebounds per game his senior year in high school.

Davies has the ability to play three different positions, as well as be a scoring threat. A three time All-NIT first team All-Star and All-State selection, Davies averaged 20.4 points and 8.2 rebounds per game his senior season.

At 6-10, Owen Murphy, of Haverhill, MA, is the tallest Mountaineer player in some time and he, along with Ben Swacha, of Reno/Rocky Grove, a 1,000 point scorer in high school, will see a lot of action at the four and five spots.

Once he settles into collegiate play, power forward Alex Goodman, from New Freedom, is expected to help out on the scoring load. As a senior in high school, Goodman was an outstanding shooter who averaged 21 points per contest.

Ben Grice, of Bradford, may have earned playing time with his tough defense in preseason. Grice, who averaged 21 points and five assists per game as a high school senior, can play the one or two spot.

Ryan Van Noy, from Troy, and Charlie Zahn, of Victor, will provide depth at the one and four spots, providing the Mountaineers with an added boost off the bench.

Future of MU women in strong recruiting class

The future of the Mansfield University women's basketball program really began with head coach Luke Ruppel's first recruiting class this spring. Forget about the past, including last year's 1-25 season. That past is buried, and if Ruppel and his 1998-99 team have anything to do with it, that past will remain buried forever.

With ten new faces on the fourteen player roster, fans may need a scorecard to know who the players are, but they will soon know these newcomers can play. It is a team that promises to get better as the season gets longer.

The incoming class of Allyson Buss (Nazareth/Notre Dame), Pine Funmaker (Minneapolis, MN/Washburn), Michelle Izbicki (Erie/Central), Kate Lerch (Erie/Central), Kelle Lerch (Erie/Central), Brandy Lingenfelter (Altoona/Altoona), Jennifer Nichols (East Smithfield/Athens), Heather Nichols (East Smithfield/Athens), Tracy Tyler (Altoona/Altoona) and Christie Wilcox (Covington/North Penn) is the most athletic recruiting class in MU women's basketball history.

Add returner's Marisa Davis (Philadelphia/St. Hubert's), Colleen Doherty (Upper Darby/Upper Darby), Lauren Martin (Kinkletown/Pleasant Valley), and Tracy Moser (Lancaster/J.P. McCaskey), who all started sometime last season, and it is easy to sense why coaches, fans, and players are excited for the start of the season.

The young 1998-99

Mountaineers plan on making basketball games fun for coaches, players and fans alike, and worrisome for opponents. Fans attending games should plan on bringing an umbrella, because it will be raining 3's in Decker Gymnasium.

Senior co-captain Tracy Moser will be the foundation to build on, especially during the early part of the schedule. Despite missing four games with a back injury, Moser averaged 9.5 points and 8.1 rebounds, second best in the PSAC East, last season. Don't be surprised to see the 6-0 forward move out to the perimeter to showcase her excellent outside shooting ability. Also returning is senior co-captain Lauren Martin who started all 26 games last season where she averaged 6.2 points per game and 5.6 rebounds.

Sisters Kate and Kelle Lerch along with Brandy Lingenfelter bring much needed inside size to the paint for the Mountaineers.

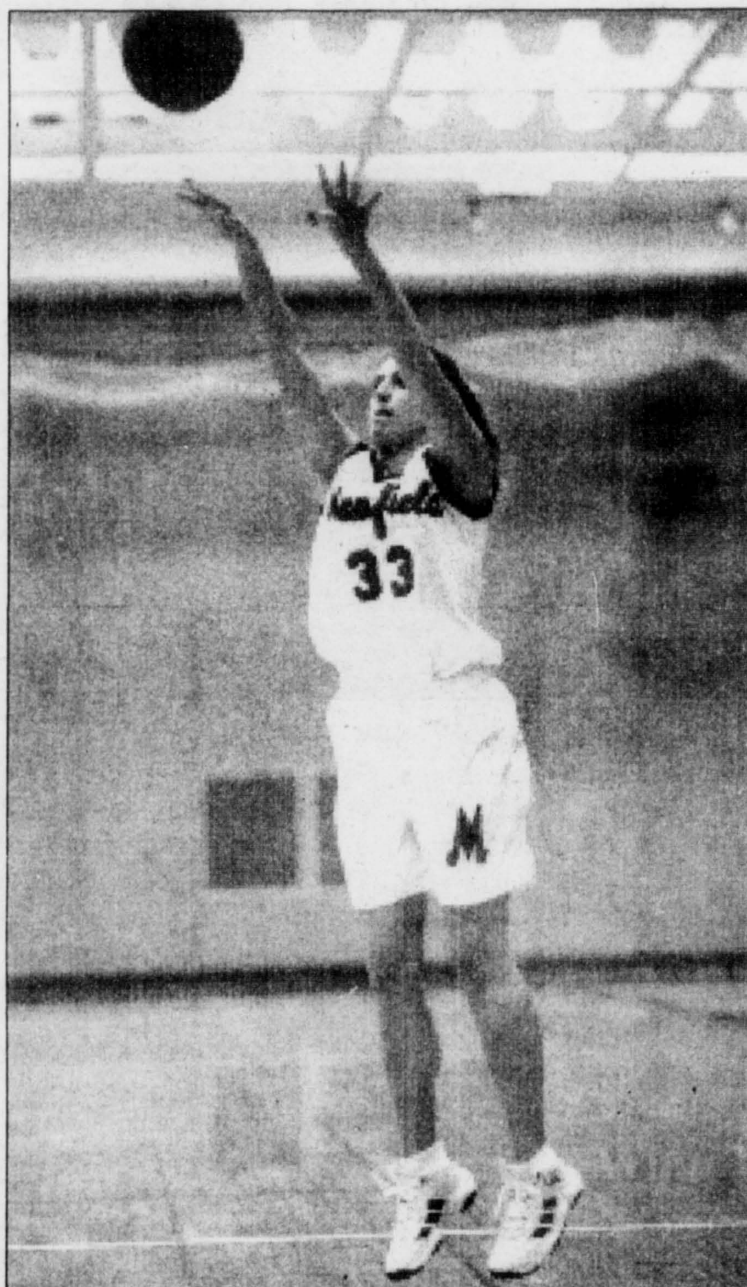
At 6-1, Kate Lerch averaged 9.9 points and 11.0 boards per game at Erie's Central High last year. Older sister Kelle took the last two season off after a stellar high school career, and will compete for a starting spot at strong forward. Lingenfelter, beside having outstanding athletic ability, brings a winning attitude to the MU program after starting for Quad-A State Champion Altoona High School as a sophomore and averaged 10.7 points and 9.0 rebounds last season for the state championship runners-up. Expected to see plenty of play-

ing time is Pine Funmaker. A tough inside banger, who can also score, Funmaker will see action at both the four and five spots.

Another set of sisters expected to earning starting spots at guard and forward are Jennifer and Heather Nichols. Jennifer, a four-time All-NIT selection and the 1997-98 Twin Tiers Player of the Year, should step right in at the two spot after averaging 15.3 points per game last season and scoring a school record 1,528 career points. Older sister Heather returns to the court after transferring from Bloomsburg University. A two time All-NIT selection, Heather has quickly regained her basketball skills that saw her average 13.7 points and 11.0 rebounds as a high school senior.

Junior Colleen Doherty and sophomore Marisa Davis each started sometime during last season and will provide stiff competition in the guard rotation. Both outside threats, Doherty averaged 5.8 points while Davis added 4.6 points per game during the 1997-98 campaign. Freshmen Michelle Izbicki and Christie Wilcox are both solid shooters and will vie for time at the two spot. Wilcox was an NIT All-Star last season averaging 14.5 points per outing while Izbicki averaged 8.3 points and 8.0 assists as a senior.

Making the offense go will be freshman point guard Allyson Buss. An accurate shooter and strong ball handler, Buss averaged 16.4 points and 6.1 assist her senior season.



Senior co-captain Tracy Moser will provide a foundation for this year's edition of the Mountaineer's girls basketball team.

Special Report

United States Election Coverage

Jesse "The Body" Ventura elected Gov. of Minnesota on independent party platform

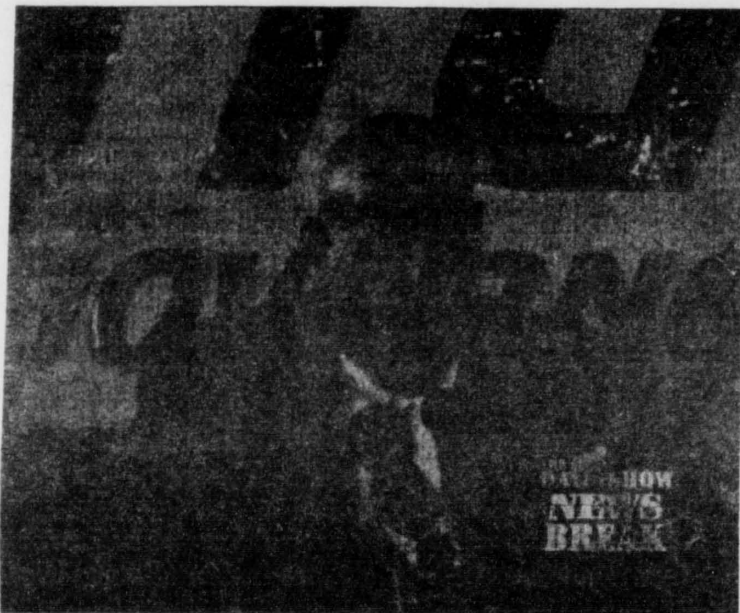
ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — The Body is now The Governor.

In one of the most stunning upsets in U.S. political history, former professional wrestler Jesse "The Body" Ventura was elected governor Tuesday over Minnesota's most famous political name and a rising Republican star.

"It's truly mind-boggling," Ventura told cheering supporters. The Reform Party candidate said his victory "stunned the world" and proved that the American dream still exists.

With 92 percent of precincts reporting today, Ventura had 714,327 votes, or 37 percent of the total. Republican Norm Coleman had 661,761 votes, 34 percent, and Democrat Hubert Humphrey III had 541,609 votes, or 28 percent.

The bald, mustachioed 47-year-old Ventura proved an irresistible alternative to pinstriped politicians who wound up playing his straight men. When asked how he would deal with stubborn legislators, the wrestler-turned-actor-turned-mayor flexed his substantial biceps.



Jesse Ventura spoke to his supporters after winning the governorship of Minnesota.

Voters ate it up.

"I like the fact that he says things plainly," said Travis Bunson, a 28-year-old lawyer who voted for Ventura. "A lot of times people that make things complex, they have a reason for doing so."

Added Michael Jorgensen, 49, another supporter: "He'll put us on the map, if nothing else."

Ventura became the first Reform Party candidate in the na-

tion to win a statewide race, but ties with Texas billionaire and party founder Ross Perot are strained. Perot was no help, especially when the campaign was strapped for cash and seeking help in obtaining a loan.

Ventura was the candidate of choice for voters 44 and younger and among those who identified themselves as moderates, according to an exit poll of voters conducted by Voter News Service for The Associated Press and five national television networks. Among liberals, Ventura was just as popular as Humphrey, son of the state's most revered politician, former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

The Body's competitors, more polished and better funded, were shocked.

"There was a spark out there that he ignited and you have to give him credit for that," said Coleman, the St. Paul mayor. He said he had no idea what that spark was.

Humphrey called the victory a "wake-up call of the first order."

Ventura, a 6-foot-4, 250-

pound former Navy SEAL whose wrestling trademark was a feather boa, drew spontaneous crowds everywhere he went. He often was seen campaigning in jeans and a Minnesota Timberwolves jacket.

He showed up at one but-toned-down business luncheon in camouflage. He appeared at a televised debate in a golf shirt, jacket and running shoes, saying he had to dash off to a football game involving the suburban high school team he helped coach.

His campaign relied on getting turned-off voters to tune in. He did it in part with a catchy, unconventional ad campaign.

Ventura's campaign song used in radio ads was a remake of the "Theme From 'Shaft.'" Some of the lyrics: "When the other guys were cashing government checks, he was in the Navy getting dirty and wet."

His final ad featured him wearing only gym shorts posed as Auguste Rodin's "The Thinker." Another showed a Ventura action figure fighting off Evil Special Interest Man.

He was an experienced entertainer who acted in the movie "Predator" with Arnold Schwarzenegger. Ventura had to give up his day job as a radio talk show host to run for office.

His previous political experience was as mayor of the Minneapolis suburb of Brooklyn Park, a community of about 60,000, from 1991 until early 1995. The city was run by a city manager, but Ventura consistently opposed tax increases and took credit for a drop in crime.

Ventura — formerly James George Janos — completed high school and a year of community college. He's fond of telling how he left home with \$200 in his pocket to seek his future.

Election offers no clear mandate

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — At a bipartisan "Serve Crow, Eat Crow" post-election news conference Wednesday, state Democratic Party Chairman Jeff Woodburn basked in the Democrats' victories in the state Senate.

Democrats gained control of the Senate 13-11 Tuesday, the first time Democrats have dominated the chamber in 86 years.

The victory proves voters believe Democrats can solve the education financing crisis, Woodburn said.

"People believe fundamentally that Democrats are better equipped to deal with education financing," Woodburn said. "We are going to be able to craft solutions."

A "fundamental shift" is lead-

ing voters to choose the party that is closest to the center of the political spectrum, and right now that is the Democrats, he said.

But Republican Party Chairman Steve Duprey said the Democrats' victory in the Senate is the result of Democrats shifting toward the right, starting with Gov. Jeanne Shaheen. He said many Republicans support her because she backed a constitutional amendment to reduce court control over schools and took the traditional Republican pledge to oppose any broad based taxes.

Duprey says the Republican Party is still in pretty good shape, with plenty of money to spend and well-organized campaigns.

Election highlights

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — Democratic state Rep. Mike Massie, who said he would continue to fight for a bias crimes bill if re-elected, defeated Republican state Sen. Vince Pickard on Tuesday in the only legislative battle between two incumbents.

Massie helped Democrats gain one seat in the Senate, where Republicans still hold a 20-10 advantage. In the House, the GOP held its 43-17 margin, allowing Republicans to hold control of the Statehouse for a 17th consecutive election.

Massie won Pickard's seat representing part of Albany County, 2,830-1,760, or 62 percent to 38 percent.

Democrat Bill Vasey of Rawlins won a Senate seat, returning to the Legislature after a four-year absence. Vasey, who served in the House from 1989-94, defeated Gary Graalman, 56 percent to 44 percent, for the seat currently held by retiring Sen. President Bob Grieve, R-Savery.

Republicans picked up one Democratic Senate seat when Rep. Cale Case, R-Lander, won an uncontested race to replace John Vinich, D-Hudson. Vinich left the Legislature after 24 years to run for governor, but lost to Republican incumbent Jim Geringer.

Sen. Bill Barton, R-Upton, won over Dana Mann-Tavegia of Osage, 64 percent to 36 percent. Barton and Pickard were the only incumbent senators who faced opposition.

Political rookies who won Senate seats were Democrat Tex Boggs of Rock Springs and Republican Steven R. Youngbauer of Gillette.

Massie and Case were among six House members who successfully moved to the Senate. The others were Kathryn Sessions, D-Cheyenne; John Hanes, R-Cheyenne; Ken Decaria, D-Evanston; and Bruce Hinchey, R-Casper.

Decaria defeated former state legislator Gordon Park, 3,037-2,037, or 60 percent to 40 percent.

Democrats and Republicans traded two seats apiece in the House.

Democrat Deborah Fleming defeated Jimmy Goolsby for Hinchey's Natrona County seat, and former lawmaker Bud Nelson, a Democrat, won over incumbent Jack Steinbrech in a Sweetwater County contest.

Republican newcomers Jack Landon Jr. of Sheridan and Doug Samuelson of Cheyenne won seats currently held by Democrats. Landon defeated Kirk Koepsel.

NY elections offer expected and some surprising results



Charles Schumer defeated incumbent D'Amato in the NY elections

GOVERNOR — Republican George Pataki, touted as White House material in 2000, easily wins re-election against New York City Council Speaker Peter Vallone.

SENATE — Rep. Charles Schumer defeats Republican incumbent Alfonse D'Amato in race about as polite as a New York cabbie.

HOUSE — Old: 19D, 12R. New: 18D, 13R. On Long Island, first-term incumbent Carolyn McCarthy, a Republican elected on the Democratic line, beats her GOP challenger.

LEGISLATURE — Old Senate: 26D, 35R. New Senate:

25D, 35R. Old House: 96D, 54R. New House: 97D, 52R.

EXIT POLLS — Voters say that D'Amato, after 18 years in office and repeated questions about his ethics, can't be trusted; they want a change.

PROPOSITION — New Yorkers vote overwhelmingly to ban corporate donations in city campaigns, giving Mayor Rudolph Giuliani a victory in a long-running political battle with the City Council.

POLL-POURRI — Al Lewis, 88-year-old "Grandpa" from TV's "The Munsters," runs for governor as Green Party candidate but loses.

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Police investigate indecent exposure

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

Mansfield University police issued a statement late Thursday afternoon, downgrading an alleged assault to a "possible indecent exposure".

In a statement obtained by the Flashlight Thursday night, an incident release reported based on information furnished by the victim, Mansfield University police have now determined that the alleged sexual assault previously reported did not occur in Cedarcrest Hall."

"The ongoing investigation of this incident is now concentrating on a report of a possible attempted indecent assault which allegedly occurred in the vicinity of South Hall Mall on Sunday,

November 1, 1998 between 12:30 am and 1:30 am."

Few other details are available, although the statement added more details to the description.

"The description for the suspect is that he is a white male, dark brown hair, 19-20 years of age, 5'7" to 5'8" tall, 175 pounds, stocky build with the additional detail of having a brown goatee," the statement noted.

In recent weeks the investigation centered around several theories. Incidents at other Pennsylvania state schools cause rumors and speculation about the incident.

Drugs such as rohypnol and gammahydroxybutyrate (GHB) are believed to have been used in at least three rapes on the Bloomsburg campus.

Date rape drugs like rohypnol, also known as "roofies", leave the victim incapacitated and seem to be unconscious and in a drunken stupor. In many cases, the drugs are placed into unattended drinks of unknowing victims.

Administrators and police are also working together, hoping to inform students about the most effective ways to prevent an attack.

Peggy Hayes, coordinator of the Advocacy program, which counsels rape victims, believes friends of a person under the influence of roofies wouldn't notice anything if they weren't better informed.

"It looks like someone who's

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Fossils at lecture series

Thomas A. Jones
wire editor

This semester's final installment of the University Lecture Series was held Wed. Nov. 11 in North Dining Hall. Dr. John Kirby of the Mansfield University Biology department presented a lecture entitled "An analysis of reptile subaqueous trace fossils from the Moenkopi Formation of Capitol Reef National Park, Utah."

Dr. Kirby explained that for the past four years he has been working with Dr. James McAllister from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The two have been examining marks left in sandstone by extinct reptiles from the late Triassic period.

"You always hear about the sexy parts of the Mesozoic period, the Jurassic, the Cretaceous," he said.

Kirby said that the Triassic period is a part of paleontology that hasn't received much attention, although it deserved attention.

"The Triassic period is a very important time in the history of vertebrate evolution," he said. "A lot was going on."

The Triassic period took place 280 million years ago.

"Interestingly enough," said Kirby, "by the end of the Triassic the first vertebrates had given rise to mammals."

Together, Kirby and McAllister examined the swimming marks left in the sandstone of ancient rivers of southern Utah. They decided to concentrate their search in the western part of the country for several reasons.

"Paleontologists hate the east, and they hate the midwest," he said.

This is because in the east, there is a great deal of soil covering fossil formations. In the western part of the country, especially the desert regions the rock can be easily seen.

He also explained what he and McAllister were searching for. The pair was looking track or trace fossils from extinct reptiles. Examining the traces would provide information about the movement of these reptiles.

A trace fossil is different from a track fossil. A trace is a partial imprint from the animal, in this case reptiles. A track is a full complete imprint.

They concentrated their search on subaqueous fossils. Subaqueous fossils are fossils below water. Subaerial fossils are those found above water.

He explained about some of the difficulties involved in examining

see Fossils, pg 2

Sociology professor surveys career

by Lisa Robinson
staff reporter

"Students learn best by engaging and doing."

This is Dr. Gale Largey's philosophy. Largey, a professor of sociology at Mansfield since 1970 practices what he preaches, involving his students in everything from books on Wellsboro and Mansfield, to surveys, to lower-budget documentaries.

Largey spent his college years at SUNY Buffalo and started his career at Mansfield three months after marriage, prompted by a desire to go to Europe. Since then Largey says Mansfield has treated him well.

"I saw a notice on a board that Mansfield had a position, found out I had the job and then went to Europe knowing I had a job waiting for me when I came back," Largey said. "Since then I have always had a large classes. The negative to that is that I don't have the opportunity to get to know the students as well as I would like to. The positive is that I never have a shortage of students."

"I feel I can identify with most of the students here at Mansfield. I come from a background where my father went to the sixth grade and my mother only to fifth grade. They were both the oldest in their families so they quit school to work. So, I have a special appreciation for students who have to struggle to get here."

Largey's ability to identify with his students may be a reason he includes them in projects on campus such as the State-wide Public Mind Survey he has conducted with Dr. Richard Feil for the past ten years. Largey believes it is important to emphasize the "us" in the survey project saying that sponsors, faculty and students represent a large part of the success.

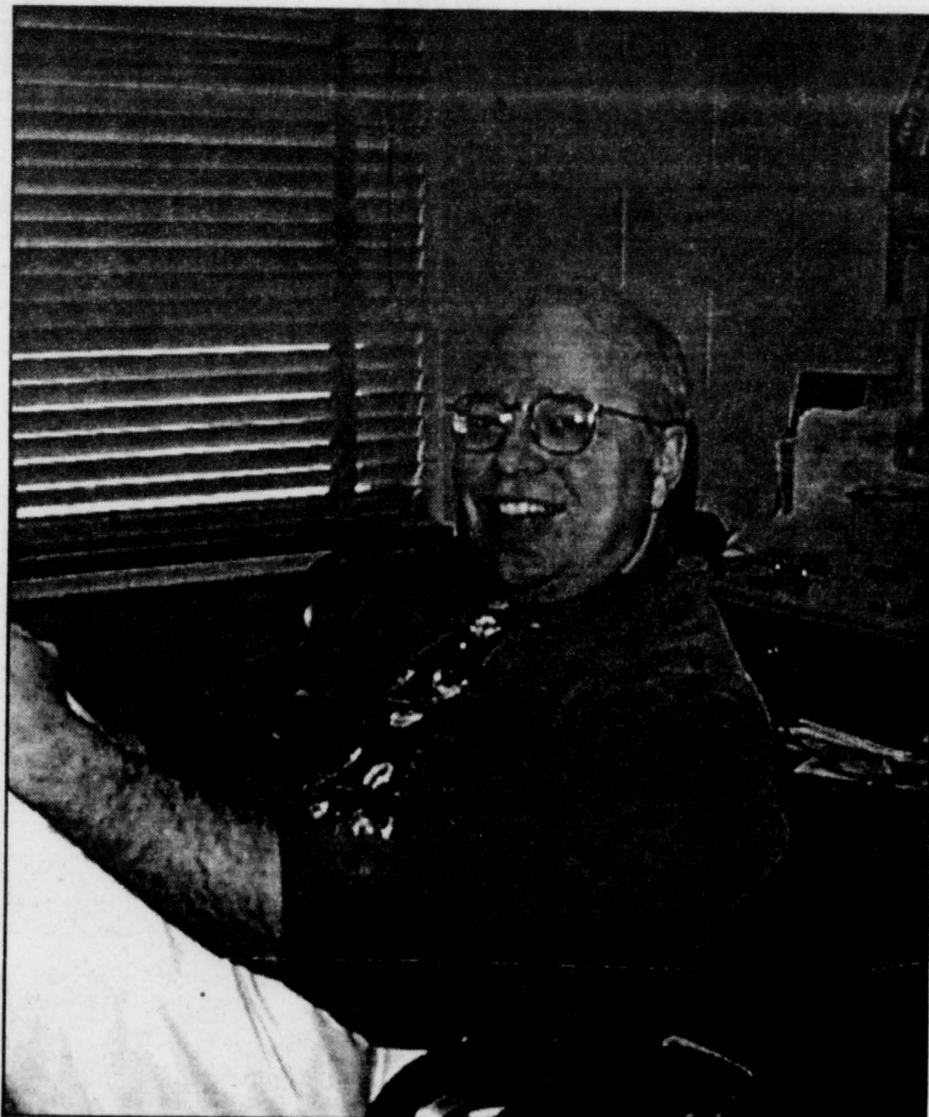


photo by Robinson

Dr. Gale Largey has been a teacher at Mansfield for 28 years.

"This is a project where a lot of people get involved. Its success is not me, it is not Dick Feil, it is all these people," Largey said. "Dr. Feil and I do compliment each other very nicely. This is one of the more successful team taught courses at this University."

Largey believes the survey is Mansfield's small way of contributing to education in Pennsylvania. The results from the survey have been printed for the past three years in the Pennsylvania State Education Associations

monthly newsletter and are also displayed in pamphlets by Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children. Largey said the governor also takes a look at the results, and added with a laugh "although he does not always heed them."

One of Largey's most recent projects is the documentary of the Austin Dam which was recently picked up and aired by WPSX, a public broadcast-

see Largey, pg 2

Campus Voices

"Do you feel safe in light of the sexual assault reported on campus?"

by Suzanne Yeager



Carrie Miller
Junior

"Not any less than before."



Susan Mirrione
Sophomore

"I feel safe because I take precautions when I can."



Angie Cole
Freshman

"I wasn't aware that there was one, but now that I do, I don't feel safe."



Laurie LaBruyere
Junior

"I feel kind of unsafe."

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drunk," Hayes said. "It's so easy to mistake. We would first have to have a victim whose friends are aware."

Hayes also noted that being around a scene where people are drinking makes noticing the debilitating effects of the drugs even more difficult for college students, who are the most likely to be the victim of a rape.

"Women ages 16-24 are the most likely victims. Couple that with the fact that the risk increases with exposure to alcohol," she said.

Like the police, Hayes believes students should feel no more at risk this week than they did before the assault.

"There's no indication that there's a dangerous person lurking around," she said. "It still remains to be seen if this is a stranger rape or an acquaintance rape."

While officials reject any notions of a "mad pervert", many students on campus, women in particular, are taking extra precautions. Lillian Sharik, like many of the MU women interviewed for this article, feels a lessened sense of security since this incident.

"From the description given by the victim, it could be anyone," she said. "I could be friends with the person and not know it."

"Other girls are really freaked out because they're afraid someone's going to follow them home," she said.

Anyone with information pertaining to any crimes committed are encouraged to call campus police at 662-4900.

from Fossils, pg1

these fossils.

"It's better to find a surface with very few traces," he said. "Otherwise you can't tell who made what."

The result of examining the trace fossils allowed Kirby and McAllister to develop new criteria to identify subaqueous trace fossils.

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ing affiliate in State College. The documentary includes voice over by Willie Nelson, former president Gerald Ford, and Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge. It is a project Largey jokes he never would have started if he had known how much it involved.

Largey said he wrote the script for the hour and half documentary, did

the research, gathered the photos, and directed the placement and sequence of the images, but that he doesn't know a thing about making movies. He doesn't even know the exact job descriptions of a "director" or a "publisher". He laughingly relates when he showed the script to a man in the movie field the man told Largey that he (Largey) didn't know a "damn thing about writing scripts."

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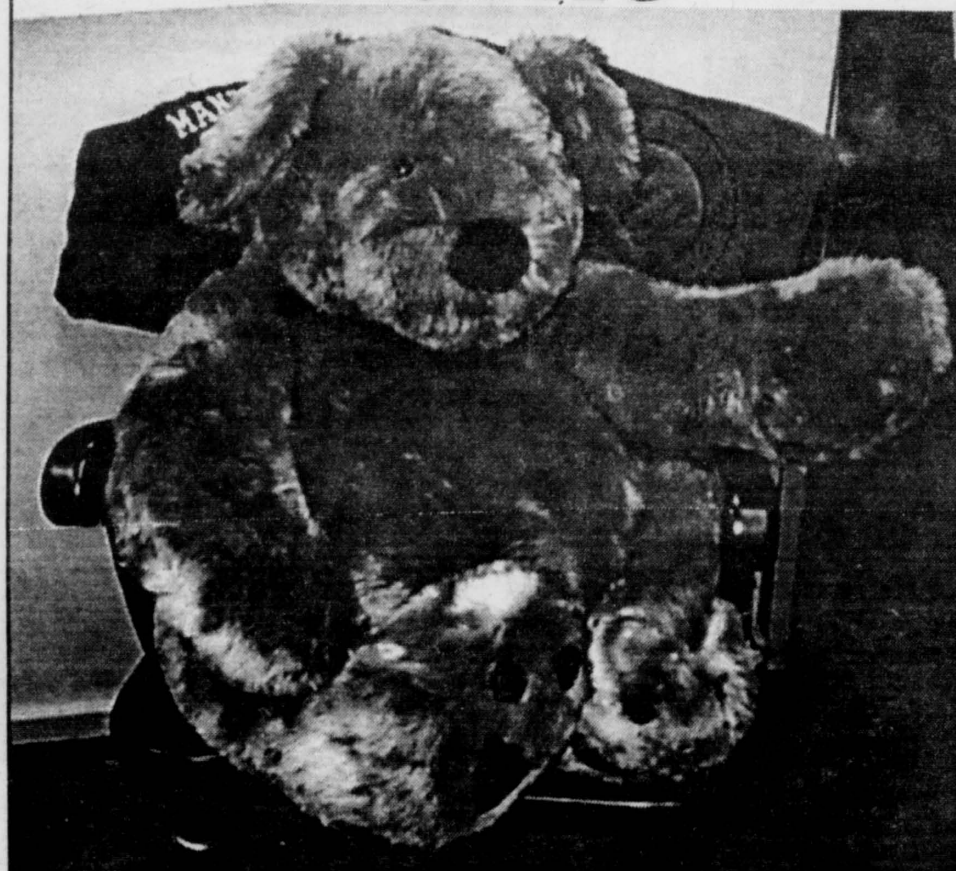
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English professor prepares for publishing

Anne Marie Carozza
Staff Writer

For Mansfield University English professor Dr. Jay Gertzman, ten years of work will come to fruition in June as his first book, which explores erotic literature and "pariah capitalists" in the 1920s and 30s, is published.

Bookleggers and Smuthounds: The Trade in Erotica, 1920-1940 (University of Pennsylvania Press) helps ex-

plain "what this (erotic) business was like and what the risks were," Gertzman said. "It also helps explain, for me, something about some of the myths concerning anti-semitism."

Gertzman said that while publishers accepted works from writers they considered noted, the material was considered, by society, obscene.

"Some of the publishers of the 1920s thought they were publishing the works of European Avant-garde writers but they were the books called obscene," Gertzman said.

In the ten years it has taken Gertzman to write his book, he performed research at libraries in California and Universities including Kinsey Institute at the University of Indiana, as well as researching other sources.

His research brought him into contact with a man whose father dealt with mail orders of adult material.

"I also had to go to the National Archives and I found mailing lists that were in with court records," says Gertzman.

The lists contained names of doctors clergymen and others buying uncensored material with educational value.

In the the time period of 1920s and 30s reading information that contained sexual content was considered a sin, as well as was selling it Gertzman said.

Gertzman grew up in Philadelphia where his uncle owned a bookstore, which sparked his interest in the subject of "sexual explicitness in literature" due to the police spontaneously raiding the bookstore in search of obscene materials.

Stores who sold these materials could be arrested or fined and sometimes became a social disgrace.

Gertzman's satisfaction won't be based on how many books are sold but by "being able to explain what this business was like, and what the risks were, and the myths concerning antisemitism," Gertzman said.

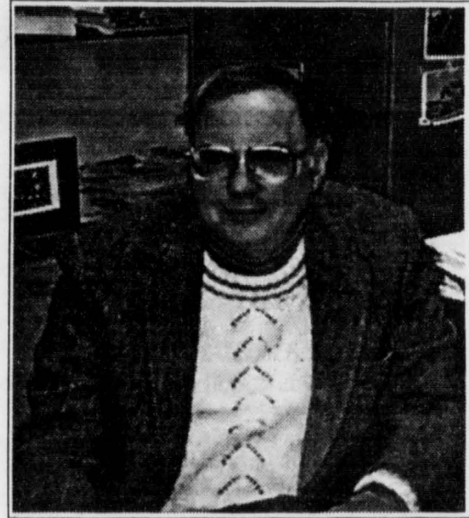


photo by Anne Marie Carozza

Dr. Jay Gertzman began writing a book more than ten years ago. After meetings in Philadelphia this week, Gertzman announced the book will be published in June.

In the future, Gertzman is interested in discussing the 1950s and 60s and how "the laws were liberalized and the backlash it caused."

Dr. Jay Gertzman Graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, received his masters at Columbia University, and PhD at the the University of Pennsylvania while teaching at Olney High School in Philadelphia. Gertzman has been at Mansfield University since 1968.



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The Philosophy Club held a symposium about the philosophy of education last Thursday.

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SGA discusses student safety and lighting

Bree Flammini
staff reporter

Safety was the major concern at Monday's Student Government Association meeting, in light of a recent report of sexual assault on campus.

Plans have been made to establish a lighting committee.

This committee will include an SGA representative, and electrician, a member of the community, and a faculty staff member among others to evaluate the quality of lighting around the campus.

The group will walk around campus and decide together which shrubberies need to be removed and where more lights need to be installed.

The SGA effort seeks to make MU students feel more safe when walking around campus at night.

According to SGA Advisor Joseph Maresco, Vice-President for Student Affairs, the sexual assault that was

reported in Cedarcrest over Halloween weekend was one in which the victim reportedly knew the assailant.

"There was no intent to keep information from the students," Maresco said.

Because of the sensitive nature of the reported crime, details were not released campus wide. Had others on campus been at risk, the university would have issued a Campus Safety Alert.

Mansfield is the second smallest school of the 14 in the State System of Higher Education, however, it is the only one with an advocacy program.

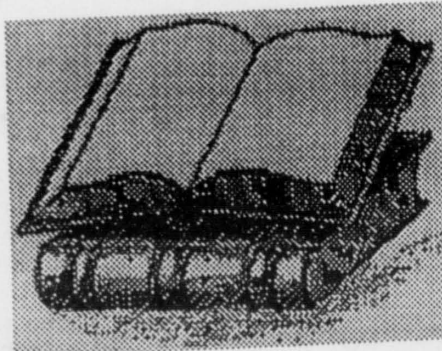
According to Maresco, Mansfield does not have a high incidence of any crime, but supports the student advocacy program because every report of crime is taken seriously.

SGA meets every Monday night in 204 Memorial Hall and all students are encouraged to attend and voice any concerns. For more information, contact your SGA representative

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South Hall 416

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All students, faculty, and community members are welcome to submit material.

Submissions should be placed in the Edge City bin located in the faculty lounge of Belknap Hall.

Attention:

Students interested in putting pictures on their web pages can do so through the *Flashlight*. We have a scanner and a digital camera and are able to convert to IBM. Each picture or piece of art costs \$5.00. Inquire in the *Flashlight* office, 217 Memorial Hall or call x4986.

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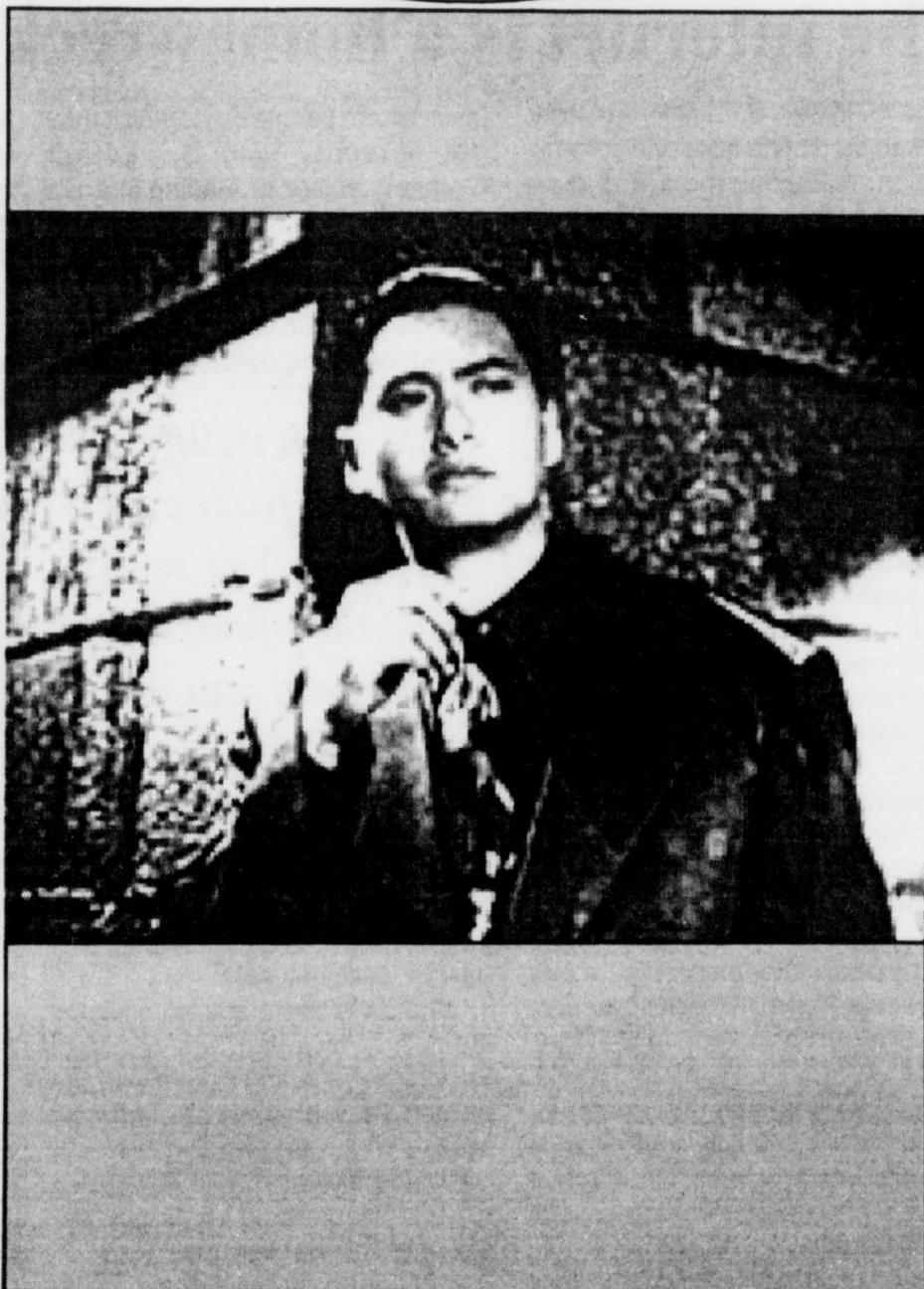
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Special Report

The search for love on the internet

Computer users likely to use e-mail

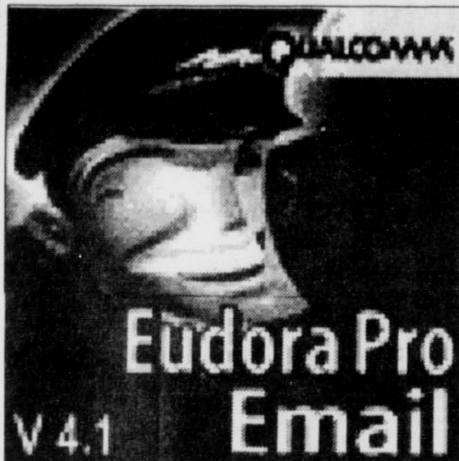


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Eudora Pro is a popular e-mail program among computer users.

NEW YORK (AP) — About half of all computer users are more likely to send an e-mail to someone who lives out of town than they are to make an old-fashioned phone call, a survey found.

And a third of the respondents were more likely to use e-mail than to place a local call.

Half of those surveyed mail letters less often than they send e-mail.

The April telephone survey of 436 American adults with computers was sponsored by Yahoo! Internet Life magazine.

It found that 55 percent of those surveyed use e-mail more than they make long-distance calls and 33 percent use e-mail more than they make local calls.

"You can fire off an e-mail to somebody and you're not going to get a busy signal or something like that."

Survey on internet users sexual habits breaks down stereotypes

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Sex on the Internet isn't just the domain of dirty old men and teen-agers in hormonal overdrive. A new survey says most Web surfers are simply looking for a little anonymous titillation.

More than 9,000 Internet users responded to the 47-question survey, posted during March and April on the MSNBC Web site. The questionnaire was directed at users who had gone to the Web for sexual pursuits.

The average Internet user, it turns out, looks at erotic material for entertainment — and often out of curiosity, the survey showed.

"People watch 'Baywatch' but they don't necessarily get sexual gratification from it, and in the same way, people look at the Victoria's Secret catalogue without the intention of buying anything," said Dr. Alvin Cooper, who led the survey. "It's basically the same way on the Internet."

The survey, released Tuesday, found that only 8 percent of those who responded spent more than 10 hours a week engaged in on-line sexual pursuits. About 3 to 6 percent of the general population engages in sexually compulsive behavior, said Cooper, a Stanford University researcher and clinical director of the San Jose Marital Services and Sexuality Center.

"That's the image people have, that the Web is kind of a den of iniquity and that people who go on line will get addicted or get stuck online," he said. "But we found that wasn't

the case."

Five of six Internet users who visited sexual sites were male, the survey said. Additionally, men tended to seek out pornographic pictures, while women went to "chat rooms" for sexually related talk.

The survey found that 49 percent of women went to chat rooms, while only 23 percent of men did.

"It mirrors what we see in society. Women are more interactive and men are more interested in visual stimuli," Cooper said.

Women on the Web tend to be younger than their male counterparts. Fifty-nine percent of the

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Dr. Alvin Cooper
Survey organizer

women who responded were in the 18- to 34-year-old age bracket, whereas men were more evenly divided, with 46 percent from that age group and 36 percent from the 35- to 49-year-old bracket.

Cooper said access, affordability and anonymity are "allowing young

adult women to be more comfortable experimenting with their sexuality online than almost anywhere else."

The researchers cited statistics gathered by Relevant Knowledge, a Web-tracking service that found about 9.6 million people — or about 15 percent of all Internet users — logged on to the 10 most popular sex-related Web sites in April. There are an estimated 70,000 sex-related sites on the Internet.

Dr. Sylvain Boies, a clinical psychology fellow at Stanford who aided Cooper with the survey, said he was stunned at the response. More than 5,000 people replied to the survey in the first 24 hours it was posted.

In the end, researchers threw out more than 4,000 replies for various reasons, including incomplete forms.

But Dr. Patti Britton, a clinical sexologist based in Los Angeles, questions the validity of the survey, because — by its very nature — it was not a random sampling.

"I think it's probably going to be a little bit skewed," she said.

However, she did say that some parts of the survey rang true; that women prefer chat rooms and that more Internet users look at sexual sites for entertainment and education, rather than out of compulsion.

Boies said despite the nature of the survey, it still provides a snapshot of how people use the Web.

"A lot of research is done with what we call convenient samples," he said.

The internet is a homewrecker for many online couples

ANDERSON, S.C. (AP) — Adultery, sparked by on-line talks and communication, is leading more and more couples astray. Private investigator Dan Garrett sees it up close. One of Garrett's clients had e-mails from his wife planning to meet a Florida man she had talked with on the Internet.

A woman was divorcing her husband, Garrett said, because he spent his free time on the Internet, chatting with his lover.

Garrett, of Greer, says about 15 percent of his cases involve affairs that started through computers.

"It's middle-age crazy," he said. "They get bored and complacent. They get a computer. They start playing solitaire and then go to chat rooms. The next thing you know they're meeting someone at the Red Roof Inn."

Anderson PI Bonnie Johnson said on-line affairs have gradually gotten worse.

"It's just another modality of meeting people," said Dr. Gayle Peterson, a marriage counselor in Berkley, Calif.

Dr. Peterson says the computer offers instant intimacy and a place to share your problems. Gradually, it siphons off energy from a marriage and sabotages it, she said.

The Internet is also an anonymous

place where people can log-off if they get nervous, said Dr. Esther Gwinnell, author of "Falling in Love with Strangers," a book about forming intimate on-line relationships.

"It's such a different situation from everyday life," Dr. Gwinnell said. "You really have the opportunity to be who you want to be."

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Dr. Esther Gwinnell
Author

Sometimes behavior becomes obsessive, like checking for e-mail from your special stranger throughout the day, Dr. Gwinnell said.

She said there are no warning signs that an affair has sparked. Soon, they're falling in love with the person they are messaging, she said.

Divorce attorneys also have seen a boost in marriage break ups because of Internet liaisons.

With home computer communica-

tions, courts don't consider there to be a reasonable expectation of privacy, and computer records are now regularly used in divorce cases, said Sandy Ain, a Washington divorce attorney.

Ain said he's had cases where children have discovered their parents were cheating by accidentally pulling up their on-line conversations.

Garrett's client, who found his wife

was going to meet her cyber-lover in person for the first time, had an investigator follow the couple to a hotel in Commerce, Ga. The investigator later testified.

"Used to be a husband or wife would say they think their spouse met someone at work, now they think they met on the Internet," Garrett said.

Women oriented websites help women navigate the dangers of the internet

the first step for women on the internet
womenCONNECT.com
formerly Women's Connection Online

photo provided
www.womenconnect.com is an internet web site devoted to women whom may be having problems with the internet.

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — There's no doubt about it. It looks like the Internet is one of today's hottest commodities, and women are buying into it big time.

And as females surge into cyberspace, women-oriented Websites such as www.women.com, www.cybergrrl.com and www.ivillage.com are springing up left and right.

With just a few clicks of the keyboard, singles, moms and career gals can engage in chat, find romance, solve parenting problems, hunt down recipes, buy clothes and gifts, plan trips and research medical conditions — and that's just for openers.

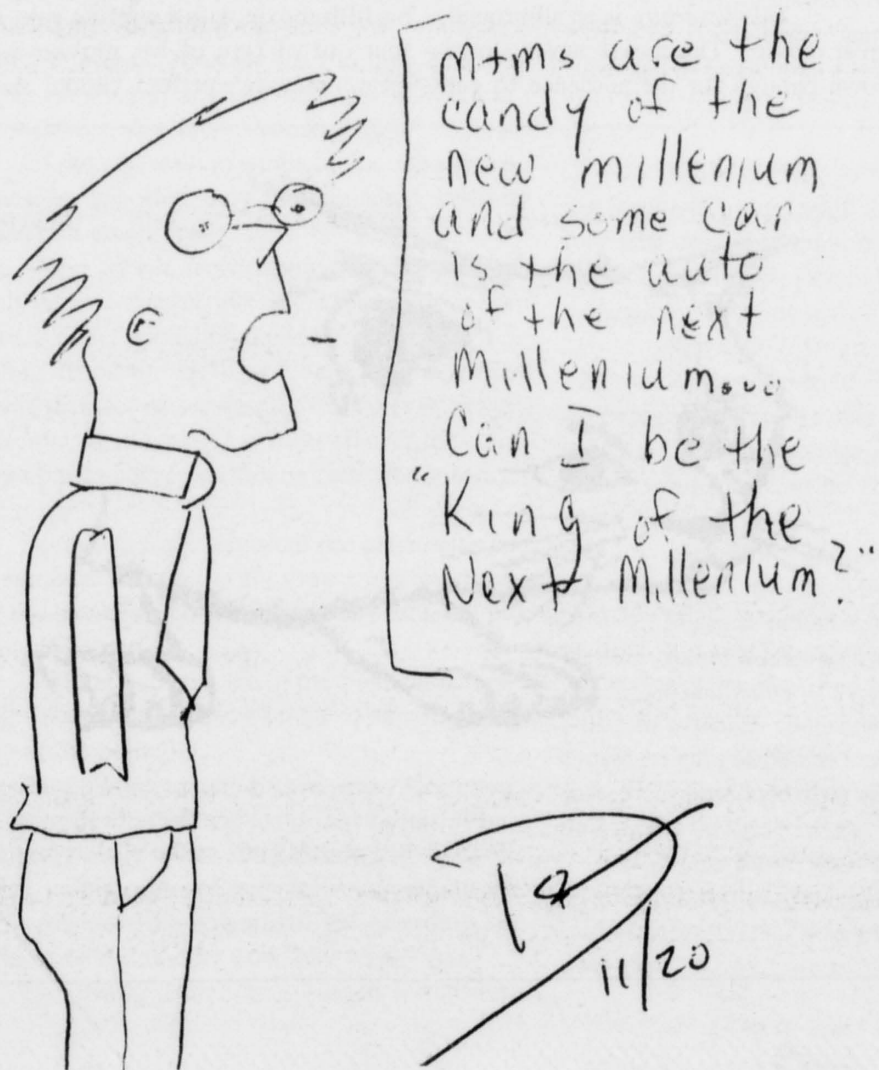
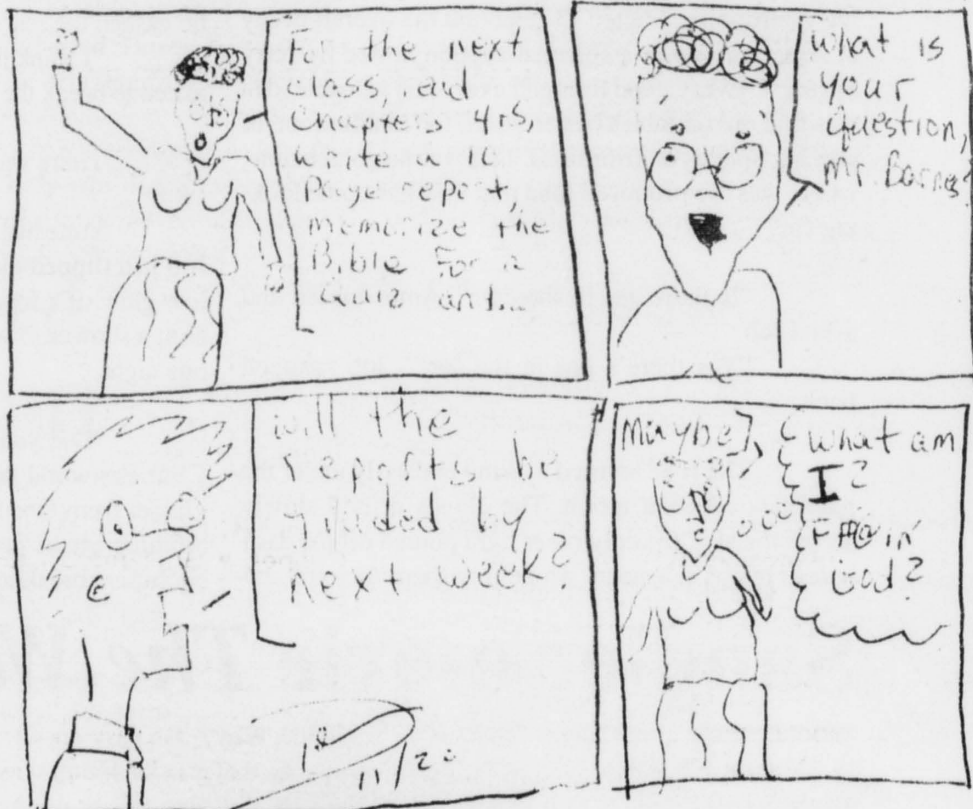
"We absolutely see the growing numbers of women on the 'Net,'" says Kerry O'Neill, product manager of www.netmarket.com.

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Throw out your gold teeth and see how they roll

Matthew D. Noldy
Old School for Life

"Are you sure this is where you parked the car?", Amos said.

"I think so?.... I can't really remember.", Job replied.

Truth was it had been hours since Job pulled his big, black 1982 T-top Camaro into this vast wasteland of asphalt, that early had been a writhing and seething metropolis; erected to celebrate the overall decay of America. It was a spiritual auction hosted by Jerry Springer. Every good thought, every last valuable idea was laid out on tables better suited for an afternoon of playing Spades or Triominos. This was no golden time, where was the promised land that they had come looking for?

"Is there gas in the car?", Amos turned and asked Job.

"Yes there's gas in the car!", Job snapped back.

The road seemed to wind endlessly under the pale new crescent moon. The clouds drifted slowly across the sky; the only other light poured off the dash board. It was a beacon propelling them forward and

drowning their faces in a warm green haze. Music filled their ears and smoke filled their lungs.

"I'm puttin' the damn window down if you don't put that fuckin' thing out!", Amos said to Job, pulling the collar of his shirt over his nose and mouth to filter the air. "That shit will kill you man." Amos turned to Job seriously.

"So...?"

"So?!... So knock it the hell off!" Amos shouted over the music that poured out of the now opened window along with the smoke and the tension.

"All right, all right.", Job smiled to Amos as he cashed the rest of his cigarette out the window.

"I think this is Cream's best album...?", Job asked to break the silence.

There was no answer.

Time had gone by, or it least it had seemed to. Job had flipped the tape at least eight times. The yellow glow of a fresh morning sun enveloped the horizon; a shower to wash off all the filth from the previous night.

"Did you ever see that Alcatraz movie with Clint Eastwood and that little crazy fucker with the glasses from One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest that is bitching about getting his cigarettes and then Jack Nicholson breaks open the glass window and grabs the

cigarettes and yells at the dude, "He's your cigarettes!"?", Amos turned and asked Job.

"No."

"I think that the grandmother from the Flowers in the Attic movie was the head nurse in Cuckoo's Nest...?", Amos added.

Once again the music was the only sound in the car. The sun was well on it's way with it's daily assent into the heart of the sky. Amos was alone in his thoughts.

"If the Son of Man is so smart then I'd like to meet his Father.", Amos thought.

The the solitary confinement that Amos was reliving from his Alcatraz experience weighed in heavy on his head.

"There must be a better way?..." Amos asked himself.

Amos had only now seen the light. Dark and darkness are far between. The previous night had been dark as Amos and Job raced across the Arizona desert. The sliver of moon that Amos remembered lighting his path before he fell asleep had now given way to the all encompassing darkness that he felt as the car rocked to a halt in his drive way. The sun was now high in the sky.

"Here you go man.", Job said as he threw the car into park.

Amos was home but his journey was just beginning.

Sandler movie *The Waterboy* gets a grade of A-

by Jeremy Cheezum
movie people

Every once in a while a movie comes around that you can say is worthy of being called a classic. Some examples of this would be *Forrest Gump*, *Schindler's List*, and even *Dumb and Dumber*. Classics can be born of dramas, comedies, musicals, or even horror movies. *The Waterboy* starring Adam Sandler (*Happy Gilmore*, *The Wedding Singer*) will be considered a

classic. Why? An easy answer to this would be that it is the funniest movie of 1998 by far; also this is a movie that young and old and women as well as men can enjoy.

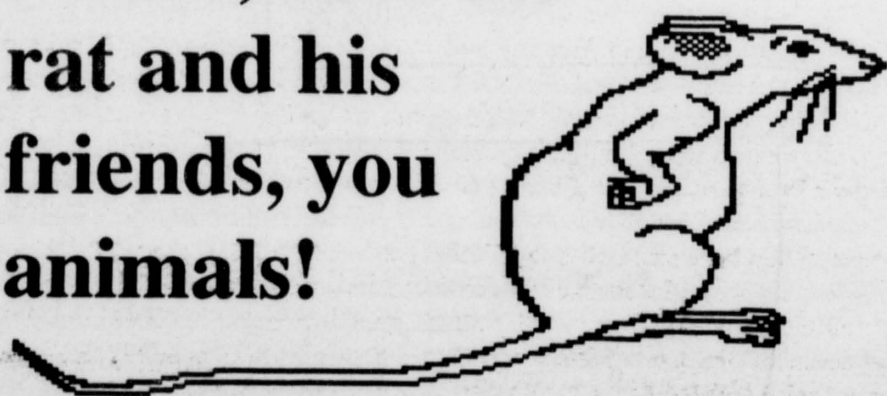
This movie takes place in Louisiana, the heart of Cajun country. Bobby Boucher, played by an excellent Adam Sandler, is the 31-year-old waterboy for the No. 1 college football team in the country. This is a character that you feel for because he has problems. To make a long story short, Bobby is fired from his previous job and hired by Henry Winkler (the Fonze from *Happy Days*) to be the waterboy. One

thing leads to another, and Bobby is asked to play football because he is the hardest hitter and nobody can stop him. Bobby's mother, played by Academy Award winner Kathy Bates (*Misery*), does not want her boy to play football so she forbids it. Of course nobody listens to mother, so Bobby plays football and goes to college. The comedic scenes and Boucher's hitting ability both revolve around the idea that the team's players make fun of the waterboy. When they tease, he tackles.

The Waterboy is an all-around great movie. The movie never slows down enough for the audience to get

bored; in fact, there is probably always a funny moment. Kathy Bates, who reportedly first was hesitant about the role, seems to put Sandler in a shadow because she is so funny. Sandler, Bates, and Winkler are not the only people to make jokes in this movie. There are cameos by Dan Patrick (*ESPN's Sportscenter*), Lynn Swann (*Monday Night Football*), and two NFL coaches Jimmy Johnson and Bill Cowher, as well as others. The real hero of this movie would have to be Adam Sandler. This is his fifth movie with a starring role, and four out of five of his movies were great....nobody's perfect. Grade: A-

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Commentary

Long time editor bids a fond farewell to MU

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

And so it goes that, after three and a half years of pleasure mixed with pain, I vacate my position as this week's newspaper appears before you right now.

For some, my departure is a long time coming; for others, I hope they will miss this commentary. When I felt someone was giving the students the shaft, I spoke up and challenged the action.

I was a voice you wanted to hear unless the cause under attack was your own. In any case, this is my last issue of the Flashlight and I have some things left to say. Some of them will be good, others will be BAAAD. Regardless, whether you kissed our ass or kicked our ass, you got involved and I thank you.

If this commentary ever had a point, that was it: get involved.

A note on Mansfield University: When I came to this school, I thought it was a clearing in a forest on a mountain that fate's cruel hand

"deliveranced" me into. At some point, I fell in love with the place and all its imperfections.

If you don't like MU, go outside. Look in any direction and you'll see views of nature so colorful that only Timothy Leary, LSD guru, would envision.

I also need to thank some people, but I'll reserve that for my column on the features page this week.

In my last commentary, I want to address the suggestion that this school remove Math and Culture from the list of classes. I think it's a mistake. M & C is for every student who could write a manifesto or bullshit an Eskimo into buying ice cubes but couldn't math.

If this school loses M & C, they are making a grave mistake. I have learned more in that class than any other Math class I've ever taken. If I can't figure out the solution to a five page equation, why not teach me the history of the subject?

And if this school thinks they're doing a good thing taking M & C away from students who don't think with the scientific side of the brain,

they're dead wrong. Look at what happened with the drug scene around here.

Let me preface this by saying that I do not condone, nor do I condemn, drugs. I am simply repeating what others have said to me in the past weeks. According to some students, this school is a snow skiers paradise since the big pot crackdown. Instead of having 30% of the students smoking pot, we now have 25% blowing out lines that make Lawrence Taylor's drug addiction look like a nicotine problem.

Am I saying that pot is a good thing?

Hell yeah!

There are people who lump marijuana in the same category as cocaine and heroine but pot is less harmful than even alcohol.

If this world were run by pot heads instead of drunks, we'd have no more war or hatred. Drunk bust up the place they're drinking in, get cirrhosis of the liver and die.

Pot heads get stoned and don't bother anybody who doesn't want to be bothered but I must move on, so that's all I'm going to say about that.

As much as this school fails to recognize the value of pot, they also fail to recognize something else. There are two students on this newspaper who have worked here for more than four years and have never been thanked or recognized for staying up all Thursday night producing this newspaper.

Gene Yager and Josh Cusatis deserve an award for their service to this university in the past 4 1/2 years. I've worked beside them and I've seen the sacrifices they've made and I appreciate what they've done through this newspaper.

Together, we have lowered prices in the Mountie Den, we've made MAC events more accessible, provided another voice for the students as we chose a president to replace Rod Kelchner and other things.

Well, we've tried to give you an interesting and enlightening newspaper. I hope you have enjoyed this column but, if you didn't, tough noogies. Get a sense of humor because you're probably a miserable bitch.

And that's the bottom line.

Polls say public more concerned with issues than impeachment

Walter Mears
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pollsters listened to months of criticism about surveys that found the public far more interested in issues than impeachment before they finally heard voters bear them out on Election Day.

"I can't remember a time when pollsters were so pummeled," New York pollster Mark Schulman said at a gathering of the American Association for Public Opinion Research last week.

In the months before the election, many people found it difficult to believe that a majority of Americans weren't more upset about the president's behavior with Monica Lewinsky.

They asked: Who are these people that are being polled? How come none of these pollsters ever call me?

"We heard more of that because an awful lot were not happy with what the polls were showing," said Andrew Kohut, director for the Pew Research Center for the People & The Press. "When you don't like the message, you shoot the messenger."

Of the 180 million adults in this country who are eligible to be polled, only a few hundred thousand are polled in a given year.

Some people were suspicious that pollsters were only interviewing people on the East coast or from big cities, a belief fueled by the location of many major polling firms on the East Coast, said Kathleen Frankovic, director of surveys for CBS News. In fact, pollsters interview Americans from all over the country using a phone survey technique called random digit dialing.

Because people expected the president's approval numbers to drop, polls were taken more frequently and became a part of the debate over Clinton's fate, Frankovic said.

"Polling became one of the political actors," she said. "There was a heavy round of attacks on the accuracy of the polls."

But polls accurately picked up on widespread distaste for impeachment and identified the late Democratic surge by likely voters. On Election Day, exit polls found that voters opposed impeachment and instead focused on issues like education, the economy and Social Security in deciding how they would vote.

The result: Democrats gained five House

seats, the first time the president's party has gained seats in a midterm election in more than 60 years.

The decision by Republicans to disregard the pre-election polls on voters' disapproval of impeachment proceedings may have been ill-advised, said Frank Newport, editor in chief of the Gallup Poll.

"Leaders who stray from the people run a risk," Newport said. "It doesn't mean leaders shouldn't try to change their minds. But you don't want to discount what people are telling you."

The pollsters' pre-election critics included House Judiciary Committee Chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., who dismissed surveys suggesting the public didn't want impeachment. "Polling is an art, not a science," he said.

Speaker Newt Gingrich, who helped orchestrate a pre-election ad campaign that tried to link Democrats to Clinton's troubles, caught blame for the GOP's poor showing and has announced his intention to resign from the House.

"If you make it a referendum on a president with a 67 percent approval rating, you shouldn't be surprised if the election goes against you," Republican Gov. Tom Ridge of Pennsylvania said after the elections.

While it's wise to be cautious about interpreting results of a single poll that might pick up a transitory gust of public opinion, months of polls showing opposition to impeachment provided evidence of a steady wind blowing across the country.

Rep. Bob Livingston, the Louisiana Republican who is expected to be the next speaker, says that while legislators have a duty to carry out impeachment hearings, the poll findings in opposition to impeachment "would have to be considered in the political arena."

The unwillingness by many to accept pre-election poll results may have been human nature.

Michael Traugott, a research scientist at the Institute of Social Research at the University of Michigan, has investigated why people believe or disbelieve polls. In research sponsored by the Pew Charitable Trusts, he gauged people's attitudes on a variety of issues, then questioned them about whether they believed poll results on those issues.

"The most important factor explaining whether people thought the poll was accurate," Traugott said in an interview, "was whether it agreed with their own view."



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We're in the money

The University has recently received a windfall in the form of a grant. This \$6.7 million grant has been given for University infrastructure. As the Administration is no doubt struggling with what they can possibly do to improve North Hall while the rest of the campus continues to slowly decline into oblivion, we at the Flashlight have decided to offer our learned opinions on where the leftover cash should be directed.

The Administration could spend the money to maintain the academic facilities. The classrooms could be brought more in line with 20th century theories on a pleasant learning environment. Natural light systems could be utilized to replace the current brain sucking fluorescent system. Mirrors could be placed in the bathrooms of Retan. An air filtration system could be installed to reduce the spread of seasonal colds. Paint could be purchased, and the classroom colors could be updated. The putrid yellows of Bellknap, and the dirty whites of Elliot could be replaced by tranquil blues and coordinated color schemes.

Alternatively, the lottery winnings could be spent on landscaping. The barren wasteland that has become the front of the University outside of Elliot could be filled in with real grass. The workers could even be paid extra to work at night so as not to annoy the hell out of early morning math classes. The blank patches all over campus that proclaim to anyone visiting that "Mansfield is a second-rate school!" could be filled in as well.

The long awaited "Uberbuilding" that students have been promised for years could finally materialize. Or the super-secret parking building that administrators pull out to shut up noisy students could be built.

How about an examination of the food services on campus? Money could be spent to acquire bids from other companies and Aramark could be sent packing.

Of course, the odds of the administration acting in the interests of the students are about as close to absolutely friggin zilch that we've ever seen. Would things be different if the Flashlight were running the show? How would the \$6.7 million be most equitably distributed if the Editorial Board had the power?

We would begin by kicking the junior high schoolers out of Alumni Hall and building a Taco Bell in its place. Every student is entitled to a Gordita by our way of thinking, and it's about time the University provided the truly well-rounded learning experience we all pay good money for.

Second, we would send the Committee on Finance out west. We would take over as the student activities funding organization, and distribute these funds in an equitable way, consistent with the values of higher education.

Third, the Flashlight would sponsor assorted trips to interesting worldwide locals. The students of Mansfield University should be exposed to more than just the woods of Tioga county. Regular trips to exotic places, not trips to the Grand Canyon of PA. Places like Aruba, Amsterdam, Bolivia, and Texas.

We offer these suggestions to the University in the hopes that some of what we propose might bring the administration down from their ivory tower and realize that not every student appreciates the luxury of North Hall's 5th floor. Every student does however utilize the classrooms. Classrooms which are too old to be effective catalysts of education

Student believes editorial "went overboard"

Dear Editor

In response to the editorial on November 6 about Coach Wanted. I believe that the editorial staff went over board by saying that Mansfield should look for a new football coach. I work for the team and I have not seen any of you out there watching these players practice day in and day out, getting up at six a.m. to watch films and having meetings during the day to review and practice for the game. These guys work so hard to bring some respect to Mansfield and all

you can say maybe it is time to find a new coach. I do not think it is the coaches or players fault, they do what they have to each and every day. It is the students and the faculty who believe that the program sucks and when the players hear that they try not to bring it on the field but day after day of being beaten down by comments like what is represented in the Flashlight they might begin to believe it. But regardless of winning, Mansfield football has some top athletes racking up yards,

passes, and points in the PSAC but you fail to recognize this in the editorial. So what if Mansfield lost to Cheyney? Things happen for a reason and I believe that it brought this team closer together to realize they have to stop listening to rude comments by other students and believe what they have inside. Winning is not everything, it is not a touchdown or extra point, it is how you represent your school in the classroom and through your own eyes.

Alyssa Klementisz

Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the Flashlight office by 5:00 P.M. on Tuesdays. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed. Submissions should include the writer's name, major, class, and telephone number.

Non Students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

Letters to the Editor Policy

The Flashlight is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization the letter must carry the writer's signature. Unsigned letters tell us that the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than one or two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300-400 words.

The Flashlight reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length and clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off in Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday or mailed to the above address.

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Features Pages!

And now the end is near...

Darren A. Meehan
co editor

I have a few people to thank and then I'm going to end this period at Mansfield University. These are the last words I'll write for this newspaper, and I want to take the time to thank several people.

First, I must thank my family. They've been there through all my years in college and they've had little to say about it taking so long. My entire family always helped me out, either with work or support, and I'll be indebted to them for the rest of my life.

I couldn't say enough about my family, so I'm not going to say any more, because it will cheapen the sentiment.

Next, I'd like to thank everyone I've worked with at the Flashlight. You all worked hard and it will be as

difficult for you to forget this paper as it will be for me. This thing is our baby and we've watched it grow up into a very good newspaper.

And now, I would like to mention some people who have been with me over the years at MU:

Supes, Tex, Brooke, Lily, Tracey, Doof, Bart, Party Guy, Andy, Heidi and her gals, Amy, Raybone, Patsy Javier, Jesse, Rusty, Mayes, Deez Nuts, Tomcho and all the fellas in the fraternities TKE and Sig Tau, Paulie, Lundy, Taylor and everyone else in the Slums and beyond.

I'd also like to thank my girlfriend, Michelle. She's been pretty understanding about my schedule even though we're hundreds of miles apart and she's always had a sympathetic ear as I bitched about this asshole or that one.

I want to thank my friends from home as well. Even though many of

them never visited (like they said they would), I'm glad to know they'll be waiting when I get home to pick up where we left off when I came to MU.

My friends, and their families, always provided support, whether it was financial or other, and they kept telling me to stick with it.

This brings me to my last specific recognition. When I came to MU three and a half years ago, I didn't know anyone and hated this place. Of all my friends from home, I only knew of one who said that I'd stick it out and graduate.

He never said it to me, but he told someone who told me, and they are a pretty reliable source. Encouragement like that is what makes people do things they might not want to do but know they have to. Anyway, thanks Murray.

Well, I know it's short, but it's time to go. We've tried to give you, the

students, an interesting and enlightening newspaper.

I hope you have enjoyed reading the Flashlight and, if you're looking for me when you're in the Philadelphia area, I'll probably be at Kenney's Madison Tavern in Warminster... for a little while, at least.

Hey, a kid's gotta celebrate.

Anyway, I didn't want to mention any names, but I did anyway. If I forgot you, I didn't mean it. And to anybody who lent me money, a sympathetic ear or anything else I've needed, both home and here, I thank you. I thank every person who ever said "Hang in there" or asked me how things were going.

I have more to say but I guess I have to get a real job and say it there.

If there is ever a time I'll remember the people I met at Mansfield University, it will definitely be at 4:20.

This is the end...

Gene Yager
doctor wu

Well Mansfield, I am leaving. After 4 1/2 years of toiling at the Flashlight, I bid you all a fond via con dios! To those of you whom I rubbed the wrong way during my tenure, disregard my last statement, and insert this one in it's place: I never liked you anyway. The Flashlight has been there each and every week for everyone to like or dislike, to criticize or praise, to agree with or not. Now, a new group is coming in to replace the old. A quick, inside preview on what to expect: a public relations outlet for anyone and everyone. Look for the controversial stories to be avoided, and for hot news to be reported on only after it has cooled down. Look for such public forums as the opinions page to take weaker, more middle of the road stances on topics. If you didn't like us before, get

And I'm leaving too

Thomas A. Jones
Aquaman

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. And it's never going to get this good again. It's a shame really. What is school other than the sum of its students expression?

It would be a pity if this school let the newspaper die the way it has let other outlets of expression, such as the late yearbook the Corontowan. It would also be a pity if the newspaper were allowed to spiral down into mediocrity and mismanagement like some others (see November 5 issue of the *Flashlight*, cover story "WNTE shuts down for the semester").

Whatever its uncertain future, the *Flashlight* has had a rich and varied history. The Flashlight was the place I first discovered the Macintosh. I had been raised with IBM computers and never saw a reason someone would be interested in purchasing an Apple. The best video games don't come out on the Apple platform until several months after the PC version, if ever.

However, when I arrived at the paper I realized that there is a whole counter-culture involved with the use of an Apple. In this bizzaro world of computer users everything is cool. It's funkadelic to mark up the case your Apple comes

ready to love us. If you liked us during the past few years, I am very sorry for what is about to happen, but we had to graduate eventually. The neglect the Flashlight has suffered for the past few years at the hands of a misguided communications department had to catch up eventually. Well, it has not only caught up to the Flashlight, but I am pretty sure there is a pile of it outside Memorial Hall. I am not bitter, though. Amused would be a better adjective to use here.

So this is it. I would like to say that I am very proud of what the true journalists at MU have accomplished during the past 4 years. I have been proud to call each member of the editorial board during this time my colleague (including former members now graduated). You each stood up in the face of first amendment oppression, and never allowed the ignorant to affect you. The sun has set, and the world may never be the same.

in, and it's even better if you can spruce it up with some funky stickers. The operating system greets you with a smiling face when you boot it up instead of the shift Microsoft logo.

In my time at the Flashlight I have seen these computers go through more hell than any other computer I have ever seen. They have been beaten down on a weekly basis, left turned on for years and subjected to the kinds of torturous filth that no computer should have to endure (this is especially true now that the Student union has refused to send the cleaning woman through the office with a vacuum on the basis that they don't like us so they don't have to clean our room).

The Apple counter-culture though is only a part of the mythos of the Flashlight. 217 Memorial Hall is the only office on campus that nearly filled every square inch of wall with "Have a Day" messages. It's the only place that has such interesting stories about a coatrack (which was stolen from SGA in what makes up a rather deranged tale). Even the chairs in the office have character. Taking a look at the mailboxes of Flashlight editors would leave a psychology major sitting in a corner, muttering things like bi-polar and "Phineas Gauge for the nineties."

Whatever the future of the Mansfield University student Newspaper the *Flashlight*, the legend will never die.

This can't be the beginning of anything good

Josh Cusatis
the disappearing act

Well, well, well... Four and a half years, eh? Now it's all done. Thank god. But I do get misty-eyed. I don't really want to leave. I just don't want to have to take classes anymore.

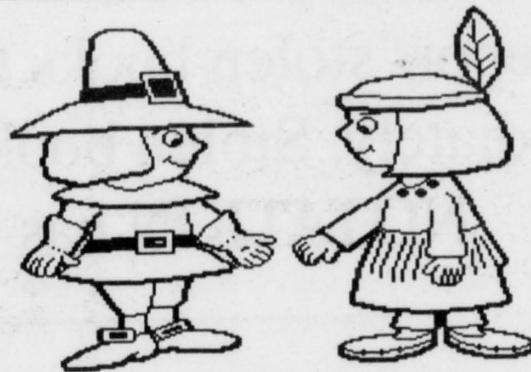
I will enjoy having my Thursday nights to myself again. I won't know what to do with myself. The Flashlight has really become a part of me and I am extremely happy to see that it goes with me. I would like to thank everyone that has worked on the Flashlight for having made it one of the most enjoyable experiences of my entire life.

There are many people that I have to thank so here goes: Gene, Darren, Thom, Sparky, Noldy, Bob and Judy, Nate, Melissa, Megan, Peggy, the entire establishment known as 40 Watt, Mitch, Gallo, Mark, Anmarie, Stick, Shannon, Krissy, Kate, Patrick, Brent, Joe, Tara, Duane, Christi, Jobu, Andre, Nate, Earl, Travis, Angela, Jarret, Mike, Catherine, Heather, Angie, Mark, Perry, Andy, Wilbur, Marla, Chris, Red, Brown, Captain Communism and His Mighty Band of Socialists, and my parents. If it weren't for them this wouldn't have been possible. If there is anyone I forgot, sorry. You know it's not inten-

tional.

There are quite a few memories that come to mind as I look back on my four and a half years at MU and if you were a part of them then you'll damn well know it. If not, no apologies. Memory lane; start: Los Angeles, Chicago, San Francisco, New York (both times), Captain Communism and His Mighty Band of Socialists, 40 Watt, Street Sweeper, Um, watching Toronto explode, 6, Sherwood Forrest, Pirate's Rock, Top of the World, my first tornado, freaking three girls out in LA, figuring out 2001, Bit-O-Honey, jamming at 114, hours of Steely Dan and Pink Floyd, Lillith Fair, getting Mike in Pittsburgh, 5 Minute Visits, the patio, my first demo, the 13 1/2 hour Die Hard trip, Christi's cabin, all of our political decisions, four days awake with whiskey, countless columns, State College, and many others that maybe I shouldn't mention. I could go on for hours so this is just a sample.

It's been a long time and it's hard to put all of it into a small column. For this reason I would like to cut this short and simply say thank you. It's been more fun than a lifetime could fill. I know that Gene Yager and Darren Meehan both deserve an award for the years that they have given to the Flashlight. Well, here it is. Our last paper. We are now done. Goodbye.



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Mounaineer hoopsters split first two contests

The Mountie Men's basketball team won their season opener at home last Monday night, defeating Houghton College handily by a 102-56 score.

Mountie junior Tommy Harvey led all scorers with 26 points, while senior Steve Shannon contributed a double-double performance with 15 points and a game high 10 rebounds.

The Mounties shot well from the perimeter, hitting 36% of their shots from beyond the arc. They also hit on 60% of their shots from the floor.

Mansfield also led big when it came to the turnover margin. They gave up the ball just 13 times compared to the 33 turnovers that Houghton committed.

Sayre graduate and Mountaineer freshman, Jim Davies, made his first collegiate performance a good one. He had 15 points on the game and hit seven of his eight attempts from the field.

The Mounties had four players reach double digits as Damoun Lopez joined Harvey, Shannon, and Davies.

Houghton had just one player in double digits, Greg Qick with 12 points.

Houghton dropped to 1-2 on the season after the loss while the Mounties made their mark 1-0. Mansfield evened that record up with their loss to the Bald Eagles on Wednesday.

The Mountaineers dropped an 87-72 decision to Lock Haven University Wednesday night in their first PSAC

cross-conference game.

Mansfield had a second half let down after going into the halftime intermission with a narrow 29-27 lead, but Lock Haven turned it on in the second half from the floor hitting on 23 of their 32 attempts.

Mansfield just couldn't slow down the pace, and fell behind never to regain the momentum.

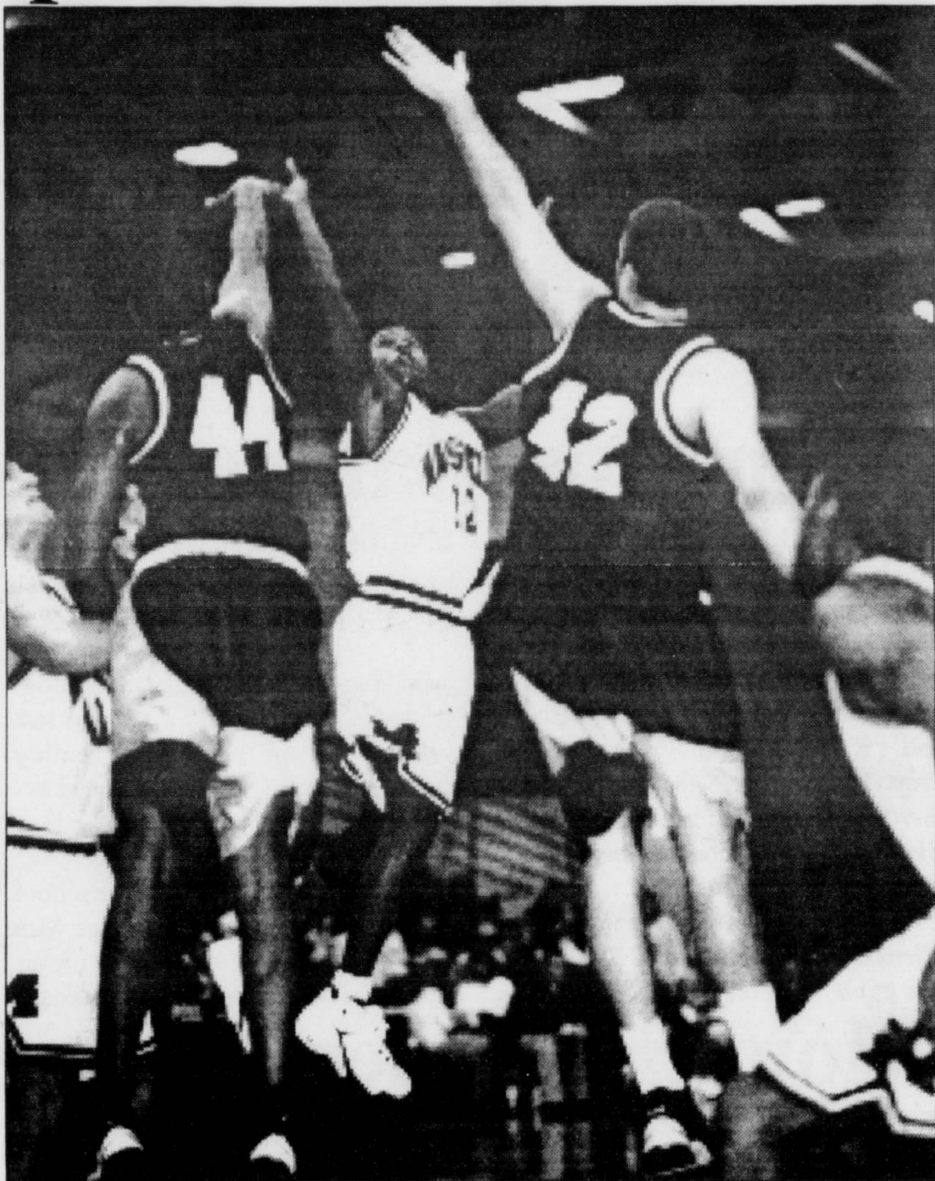
The Mountaineers were led by the double-double performance of senior Steve Shannon. Shannon, who recorded his second straight double-double, had game-highs in both points and rebounds with his 27 tallies and 15 boards.

Freshman Chris Kreider and juniors Tom Harvey and Kevin Perluck also hit the double figure mark with 12, 10 and 10 points respectively. Harvey had fouled out with just under five minutes left to play.

Lock Haven was led by Rico Abbondanza's team-high 21 points and nine rebounds, while Joaquin Porrata and Stan Potts contributed 16 points, and Kevin Devan added 15 points for the Bald Eagles.

The Bald Eagles shot 53% overall from the floor compared to the Mountaineers 40%, with Lock Haven holding a 37-33 advantage on the glass.

Mansfield returns home to host SUNY-Binghamton on Saturday evening. Game time is scheduled for 7 PM.



The Mountaineers Tommy Harvey goes up for a jumper between two Houghton players.

Mounties lose again but Brannon breaks record



Lee Brannon runs ahead of a pack of East Stroudsburg tacklers in last Saturday's loss to the Warriors. Brannon eclipsed the 1,000 yard barrier this season with his 223 yard performance in last week's contest.

The Mountaineer football squad finished their year last Saturday with a 51-24 loss to East Stroudsburg in what was to be the season finale for both schools.

Mountaineer running back Lee Brannon provided the most positive thing for the Mounties on the afternoon when he became the first player in the school's 105 year history to gain 1,000 yards in a single season.

He came up big on the day and gained 223 yards on 41 carries. That pushed him to 1,022 total yards for the season. The 223 yards is also the second most yards in a single game, only seven yards behind Dean Stewart's 230 yards against California in 1989.

The Brannon story has gained national publicity for both him and the Mountaineers on ESPN, the CNN website, USA Today, SportsTicker and other national sports media outlets.

Last Saturday, East Stroudsburg opened up the game with an early 14-0 lead within the first five minutes of the game. Brannon cut that lead to a single touchdown when he raced 80 yards to score the Mounties first touchdown of the season.

Both teams exchanged field goals, the first a 34 yarder by the Warrior's J.D. Stern. Tom O'Donnell then connected from 21 yards out to make it a one touchdown game again for the Mountaineers.

East Stroudsburg increased their lead to 24-10 when Warrior signal-caller Will Burch connected with Tim

Pollock on a four yard touchdown pass. The Mounties answered with their own touchdown just minutes before the half.

Mike Lord, a native of Blossburg, blocked an East Stroudsburg punt in the Mounties endzone. Barron James jumped on the loose ball for Mansfield and scored the touchdown to make the score 24-17.

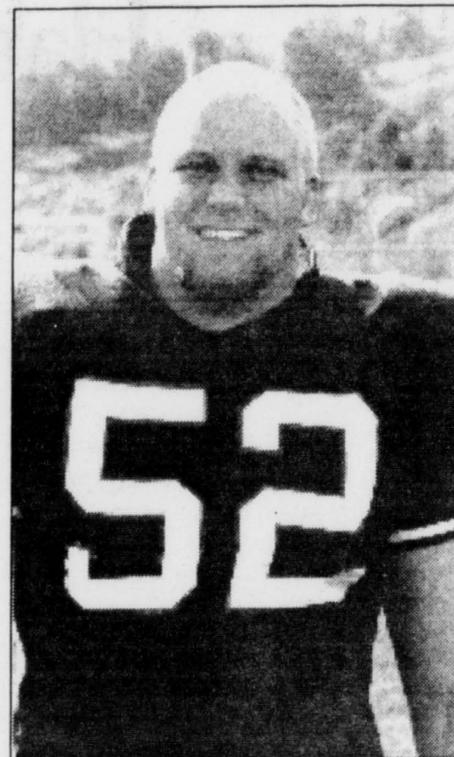
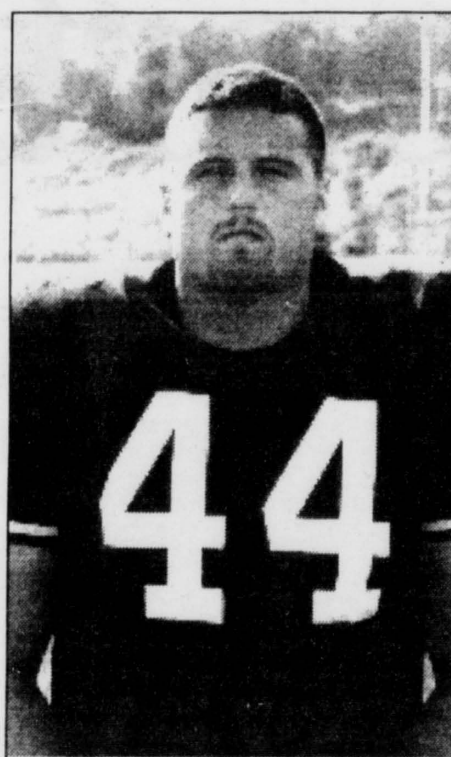
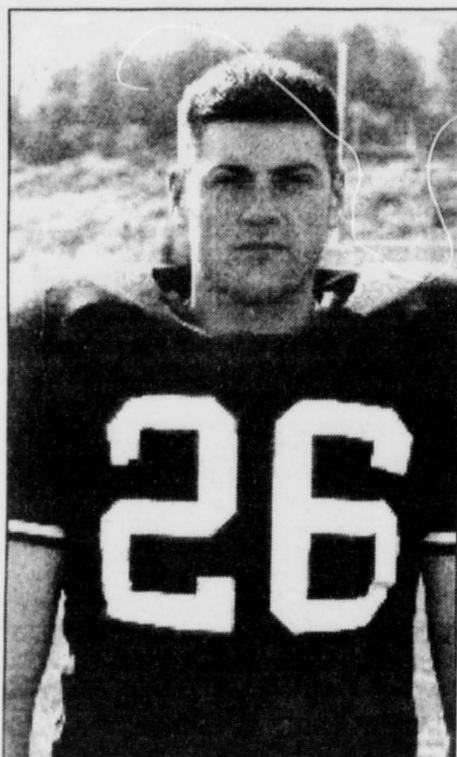
East Stroudsburg opened the second half with a scoring frenzy, racking up 28 unanswered points to put the game out of reach for the Mounties. The Warrior's Andre Meyers scored on runs of two and six yards.

Sandwiched between those two runs came a one yard touchdown pass from Burch to Pollock, and a one yard touchdown dive by Burch. Brannon finished off the scoring of the afternoon with a 22 yard sweep to make the score 51-24.

Senior fullback Nate Davis grabbed one catch in the game to give him an even 100 catches on his Mountaineer career. That catch went for 15 yards.

Jim Ludwig and Brad Piffath led the Mountaineer defense with nine and eight tackles respectively. Jon Johnson also picked off two Warrior passes on the afternoon.

With the loss, Mansfield ends their season with a 0-11 record, the first time that a team has gone winless since 1979. The 11 losses also sets a school record for defeats in a season, passing the mark set in last year's 1-10 campaign.



Matt Hanley (26), Nate Davis (44), Mark Bristol (74), and Karl Buzak (52) have all been nominated for post season honors for the Mountaineers.

Four Mountaineers receive All State Honors

Mark Bristol (Philadelphia/Martin L. King) and Matt Hanley (Wyalusing/Wyalusing) were named to first team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East (PSAC) honors while Nate Davis (Wellsboro/Wellsboro) and Karl Buzak (Mountaintop/Crestview) were selected to second team in voting conducted among the PSAC East head football coaches and released today.

Bristol, 6-6, 307, anchored the offensive line that averaged 312.7 yards per game in total offense, including

161.5 yards on the ground. The son of Charles and Essie Bristol of Philadelphia, Bristol is a pre-med major.

Hanley, was selected to first team honors as the punter, after earning second team All-PSAC East honors last season. During the season, Hanley punted 63 times for 2374 yards, and average of 37.7 yards per boot.

Over his four years at MU, Hanley set the school record for career punting yardage with 9,488 yards. In addition he was a four-year starter in the defensive secondary

where he racked up 188 tackles and picked off eight passes. The son of Ed and Sue Hanley of Wyalusing, Hanley is a mathematics major.

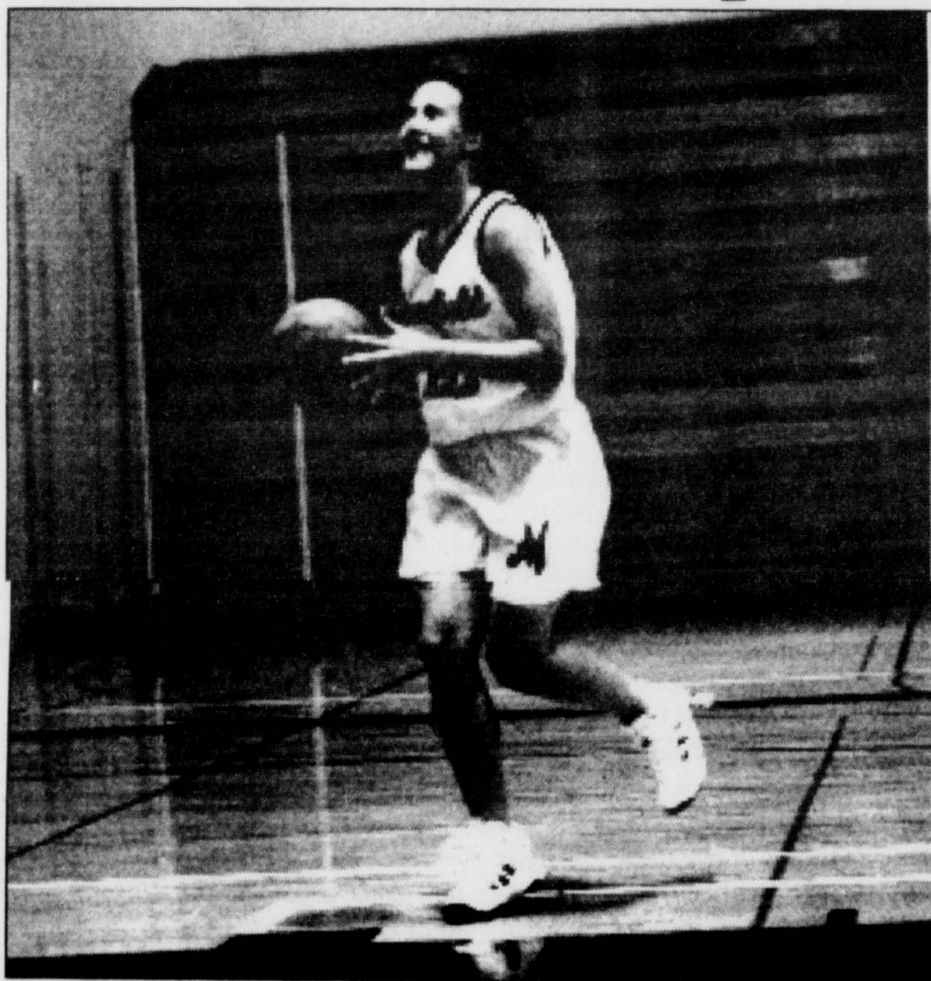
Davis was named to second team All-PSAC East honors for the second straight season as a running back. Despite being nagged most of the season with an ankle injury, Davis still led the Mountaineers with 35 receptions for 435 yards and three touchdowns.

Also nominated for GTE Academic All-America honors, Davis has 100 catches in his three seasons at MU

for 1,347 yards and ten touchdowns. The son of Terry and Cindy Davis of Wellsboro and husband of Melissa Davis Mansfield. He is a business administration major.

Buzak earned All-Conference honors in his first season of eligibility after transferring from Hofstra University. A defensive tackle, Buzak racked up a team best seven sacks to go along with 45 tackles, including 12 for a loss. The son of Bernard and Genevieve Buzak of Mountaintop, Buzak is a criminal justice administration major.

Mountie women open season with three losses



Heather Nichols is leading the Mountaineers women's basketball team in scoring so far this season.

The Mansfield University Women's basketball team looked to pick up their first win of the season Monday night, but instead dropped the home opener to Houghton College by a score of 83-57.

The Mounties, a young team with 10 new players, kept pace with the "Highlanders" throughout almost the entire first half. Houghton put the game out of reach in the beginning of the second half when they went on a 13-0 run.

For Mansfield, freshman guard Allyson Buss lead the scoring with 18 points. Nine of those points came from beyond the 3-point circle.

Fellow freshman Jennifer

Nichols was right behind her with 16 points. Also scoring in double digits was sophomore forward and sister of Jennifer Nichols, Heather Nichols. She had 12 points.

For the 3-0 Houghton Highlanders, sophomore guard Wendy Ivey lead the scoring with 23 points. She also had 10 rebounds. Wellsboro resident and graduate of Wellsboro High School, Janelle Tombs, a junior guard, had nine points for the opposition.

Mansfield is now 0-3 on the season. They look to pick up their first win of the season this Thursday when they host Binghamton University. Game time is 7 p.m. at Decker Gymnasium.

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EDITOR'S NOTE TO READERS:

Last week's issue of the Flashlight was not published because of technical difficulties...our printer was busted. This page is last week's front page with all the same great Flashlight sports coverage you expect.

Mountaineers remain winless with loss to Bloom

Eric Miller completed 11 of 14 passes for 176 yards and three touchdowns, and ran for another to lead Bloomsburg University to a 42-14 Mansfield University in a PSAC East game Saturday afternoon.

Mansfield got on the board first when Lee Brannon raced 85-yards off left tackle on the first play from scrimmage.

Bloomsburg came right back on the ensuing possession when Marques Glaze capped off an eight play, 67 yard drive with a 2-yard plunge.

Mansfield answered right back on their next possession when quarterback Chris Hudak hooked up with Scott Oros on a 47-yard touchdown strike with 6:05 left to play in the first quarter.

Bloomsburg then rallied off 35 unanswered points beginning with a Mike Lelko 26-yard touchdown reception from Miller, followed by a Matt Wilson 46-yard connection with Miller just six minutes later.

Lelko caught his second touchdown pass of the afternoon from Miller on an 11-yard reception before Miller rushed 55-yards untouched before the end of the third quarter to give Bloomsburg a 35-14 lead.

Bloomsburg finished off the scoring for the afternoon when Ed Carothers sent into the endzone from 1-yard out with 11:53 left to play in regulation.

Mansfield falls to 0-9 on the season, and 0-5 in the conference while Bloomsburg improves to 5-4 overall and 4-2 in PSAC play.

The Mountaineers will travel to East Stroudsburg this Saturday for their season finale. East Stroudsburg holds a decisive 52-8 advantage over the

Mounties in the last 61 years the two squads have faced off.

The last time the two teams faced off, the Mountaineers just missed pulling off a last second victory. Randy Teeter's 26 yard field goal was tipped by two East Stroudsburg defenders, allowing ESU to slip past with a 23-21 win.

The Mountaineers have showed improvement offensively with freshman quarterback Chris Hudak under center. Unfortunately for Mansfield, they have not put together four strong quarters.

The offensive line will be a healthy and complete unit this week. The offensive line is the largest in Mansfield history anchored by Eric Chandler and Mark Bristol. They should give Hudak good pass protection and allow him to scramble if he needs to.

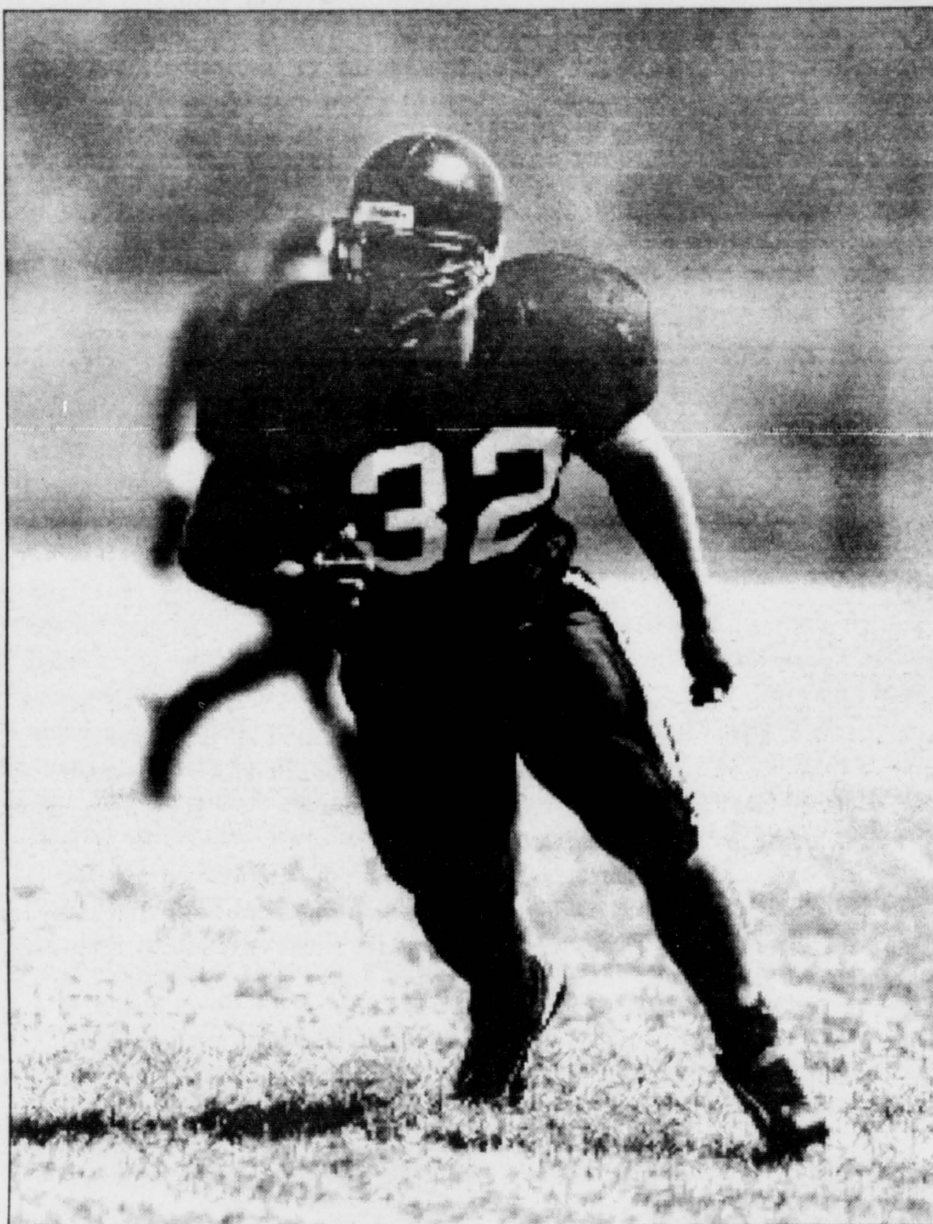
Hudak will have a good target to pass to in senior wide out Pete Herchik. Herchik has broken the 1,000 yard mark for his Mountaineer career. He has caught 78 passes for 1,062 total yards.

The healthy line should also open up holes for junior running back Lee Brannon, who is averaging just over four yards per carry. The Warriors have the lowest overall defense in the conference.

They give up an average of 485 yards per game. Their run defense is also ranked lowest in the conference.

How Brannon and the Mounties control the running attack will be a big key in the last game of their season.

ESU comes into the game with the 11th ranked offense in the PSAC, one place below the 10th ranked Mountaineer offense. The Warrior's passing attack



Senior middle linebacker leads the team in stops this year with 65 and should have a good game against East Stroudsburg this Saturday.

is their bread and butter, averaging just over 200 yards per contest.

The Mountaineer defensive secondary, led by senior safety Matt Hanley will be tested this week as they

have been all season long.

Ian Cooper leads the team in interceptions and is tied for second in the conference with four interceptions this season.

MU swimmers set records, fall to Lock Haven

Freshman sensation Sarah Davis (Herald, CA/Hiram Johnson West) broke her own school marks in the 200 fly, 400 IM and 100 free while also setting a school mark in the 100 fly, but it wouldn't be enough as MU fell to Lock Haven 150-111 in PSAC women's swimming Wednesday.

The Mountaineers trailed 57-55 after the first six events with Davis taking first place in the 1000 free with a record time of 11:38.68 and 200 fly posting a record time of 2:18.48.

Sophomore Candace Cipolla (Sinking Spring/Wilson) was first in the 100 back at 1:01.20.

Lock Haven would pull away, largely with strong showings in the 200 breast and 100 free.

Davis also won the 100 fly, breaking Cipolla's school record, with a time of 1:03.50 and the 400 IM breaking her own mark set two weeks ago with a time of 5:48.13

Wellsboro High School grad Tarah Shipman was second in the 50 and 100 free for Lock Haven.



Mountaineer freshman Sarah Davis set four school records in last Wednesday's swim meet with Lock Haven. Davis set new school marks in the 200 fly, 400 IM, 100 free and the 100 fly.

Mansfield falls to 0-3 on the season while Lock Haven improves to 1-2. The Mountaineers will host Lycoming College this Saturday afternoon at Decker Pool.

Special Report

The Road to Impeachment

Clinton abuses power

Larry Margasak
associated press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Making his case at the start of impeachment hearings, Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr says President Bill Clinton "repeatedly used the machinery of government and the powers of his office" to thwart prosecutors' grand jury investigation and the Paula Jones lawsuit.

In remarks prepared for delivery Thursday to the House Judiciary Committee, Starr also dismissed Democratic suggestions he had no right to investigate the affair between the president and Monica Lewinsky. Obstruction of justice "is not a private matter," he declared.

A copy of Starr's testimony was obtained late Wednesday by The Associated Press.

"The evidence further suggests that the president, in the course of these efforts, misused his authority and power as president and contravened his duty to faithfully execute the laws. That too is not a private matter," Starr said.

The prosecutor also disclosed that his office drafted an impeachment referral to Congress on the original Whitewater allegations last year, but pulled back. The referral related to Clinton's testimony that he knew nothing about a fraudulent \$300,000 loan.

The loan was from a federally backed lending company run by former

Little Rock, Arkansas, municipal judge David Hale, who testified that Clinton had encouraged him to make.

"In late 1997, we considered whether this evidence justified a referral to Congress," Starr wrote. "We drafted a report. But we concluded that it would be inconsistent with the statutory standard because of the difficulty of establishing the truth with a sufficient degree of confidence."

Starr said that in addition, "there were still two outstanding witnesses who might later corroborate — or contradict" the allegations that Clinton lied about the loan: former Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and former Whitewater business partner Susan McDougal.

Starr's testimony reiterated many of the same allegations, in the same harsh language, that he included in his referral to Congress in September, accusing Clinton of 11 impeachable offenses. His testimony laid out a litany of examples that he said show a "misuse of presidential authority occurred."

Starr charged that Clinton "made a series of premeditated false statements under oath" in his Jan. 17 deposition testimony in the Jones lawsuit. Clinton also "participated in a scheme" at the deposition to deceive the trial judge in the lawsuit by not correcting his lawyer's false assertion that the president did not have sexual relations with Ms. Lewinsky, Starr's testimony alleges.



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Independent Council Ken Starr's testimony against President Clinton in impeachment hearings began yesterday. Starr dismisses allegations that he had no right to investigate the Monica Lewinsky affair.

Nationwide poll on impeachment

associated press

Should Clinton be impeached?
Exit polls — Yes 33 percent, No 63 percent

ABC News — Yes 27 percent, No 71 percent
Pew Research Center — Yes 28 percent, No 66 percent

Should he resign?
Exit polls — Yes 40 percent, No 56 percent
ABC News — Yes 34 percent, No 64 percent

Should he be censured?
Exit polls — Yes 43 percent, No 49 percent
ABC News — Yes 59 percent, No 38 percent

Approve of Republicans' handling of impeachment inquiry?
Exit polls — Approve 35 percent, Disapprove 62 percent
ABC News — Approve 32 percent, Disapprove 62 percent

Approve of the job done by

Clinton?

Exit polls — Approve 55 percent, Disapprove 43 percent

ABC News — Approve 65 percent, Disapprove 33 percent

CBS/New York Times — Approve 65 percent, Disapprove 30 percent

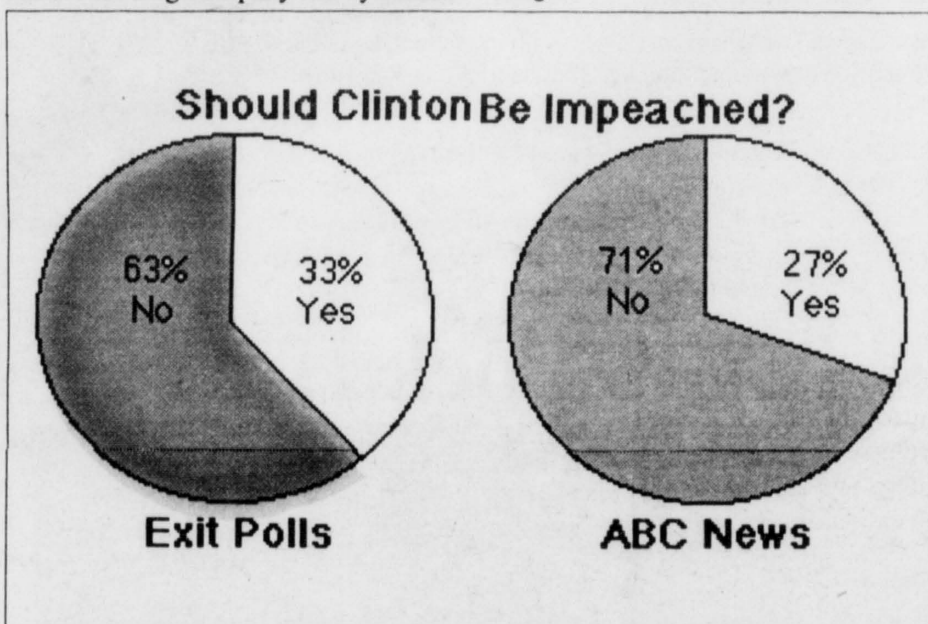
Approve of the job done by Congress?

Exit polls — Approve 41 percent, Disapprove 55 percent

ABC News — Approve 49 percent, Disapprove 47 percent

CBS/New York Times — Approve 41 percent, Disapprove 49 percent

The 1998 national exit survey was conducted on Election Day. The survey of more than 10,000 voters as they left about 1,150 randomly selected polling places nationwide was conducted by Voter News Service, a partnership of The Associated Press and the ABC, CBS, CNN, NBC and Fox television networks. The margin of sampling error was plus or minus 1.5 percentage points for all voters. The ABC News, CBS/NTT and Pew polls were taken just prior to the election and had margins of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.



graph compiled by Jonze

According to these two separate polls, the majority of American people do not believe that President Clinton should be impeached.

Calender

Friday, November 20, 1998

8 pm - Play: "Collected Stories" in Straughn Auditorium.

Saturday, November 21, 1998

Visitation Day.
Swimming away at Kings College.

Wrestling away at SUNY-Oneonta Invitational.

7 pm - Men's Basketball at home vs. SUNY-Binghamton.

8 pm - Play: "Collected Stories" in Straughn Auditorium.

Sunday, November 22, 1998

2 pm - Play: "Collected Stories" in Straughn Auditorium.

Tuesday, November 24, 1998

1 pm - Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Jr. Center, Memorial Hall.

7 pm - Men's Basketball at home vs. Clarion University.

Wednesday, November 25 to Friday, November 27, 1998

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Pine server will be gone after Fall semester

by Lisa Robinson

It has been almost a year since Mansfield University first announced to students that Pine mail, offered from the networks telenet presenter, would be deleted from the network. As of next semester the use of this particular access to the Wheat server will be terminated.

Alan Johnson, Technical Resource Manager at Mansfield University, said the change is being made in order to make the e-mail process on campus easier for students and more efficient for the campus' E-mail server.

"I think, and the librar-

ians have said, that having two ways to access E-mail has been very confusing to students," Johnson said.

"We've decided to make Eudora the sole access to the server because it is more graphical. We also wanted to extend the life of the server as long as we could."

Johnson said by logging continuously into Pine mail, a strain was being put on the server, something which would be eliminated by Eudora because it uses a "POP" server, or Post Office Protocol.

The POP server is another way for students to access their e-mail without using up space in the computer while

they send and receive messages. By "graphical", Johnson said he means that Eudora is more conducive to "pointing and clicking" something he and the librarians believe students prefer.

According to Connie Beckman, Mansfield University technical resources director, the change is also being made so that the use of E-mail is more uniform campus-wide.

"We want to create one standard way that everyone gets E-mail rather than support two different E-mail systems," Beckman said. "We believe the easiest way to do this is with Eudora. This will not take anything away from the E-mail capabilities on campus it is just a

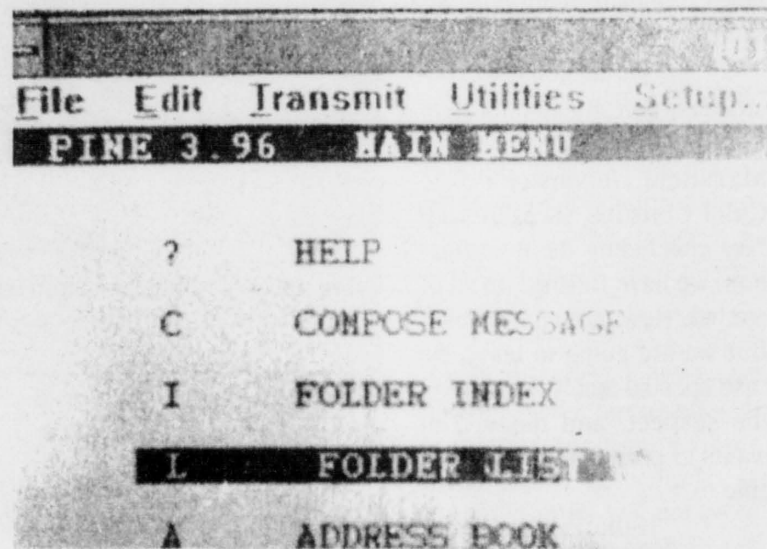


photo by Sarah Beaumont

Next semester, the familiar Pine mail screen will disappear from Mansfield University computers.

different way to access it. The only difficulty will be for the new users who will be learning how to do it."

Library and technical resources representatives are asking all students to change

over to Eudora E-mail if they haven't already, even though their accounts will not be completely deleted for another month.

National sexual violence conference held at Mansfield University

by Kimberly Sapone

In an average lifetime, one of four women and one in seven men will be sexually assaulted. During her college years, one in three women will be the victim of a sexual crime.

Mansfield University is doing its part in deterring sexual violence by hosting the 8th Annual Student Conference On Campus Sexual Violence on campus March 27-29, 1999. Sexual violence is an issue that many students face, especially during their college careers. With a recent incident alleging a sexual attack on Mansfield's campus, the focus of this conference is both timely and relevant.

One of the conference speakers will be Katie Koestner, who will be sharing her tragic story of date rape. Koestner was a student at the College of William & Mary and was raped by her boyfriend the third weekend of her freshman year.

After not agreeing with the way the college handled her case, she spoke out, and she eventually appeared on the cover of *Time* magazine for going public with her story.

The conference's keynote speaker is Ed Gerety, a motivational speaker who encourages peer educators to continue educating despite potential social stigmas peer educators sometimes face.

Also speaking will be Bob Hall, also a motivational speaker who owns Learning to Live With Conflict, Inc. in



Bob Hall will be one of the key note speakers at the sexual violence conference at Mansfield next March.

Geneseo, NY, and speaks about conflict management in business and personal life.

Conference coordinator Stephanie DeNicola hopes that this conference will raise awareness of the problem of sexual assault not only on our campus, but also across the country.

"I hope to inspire people to join the fight to end sexual violence, and to help people start sexual violence prevention programs on their campuses," DeNicola says.

The conference's theme is "Imagine A World Without Sexual Violence." The theme correlates not only with MU's theme of "Imagine" but also with Koestner's dream of a world without rape.

The weekend-long conference is expected to draw nearly 600 people from the United States and Canada, which is the site of another student conference this year. MU will be the smallest school to hold the conference in its eight year history.

MU Weekend offers new learning experiences for students

Pamela Beaver

The MU Weekend program this past semester offered students, faculty and staff enhanced opportunities for social activities and new learning experiences.

This was the first year the general program has been formalized. Joe Maresco, vice-president of student affairs, said that there has been a lot of interest from the faculty and staff. So far, 20 different faculty and staff members offered their time on different weekends. A wide variety of activities were offered, at no cost to students. Activities that were offered included racquetball tournaments, fine arts series, biking, hiking, ping pong, bird watching, chess, billiards, drawing, police tac-

tics, backgammon, jazz and more.

Maresco said that administrators felt that the program will create a better comfort level between all and will add dimension to student life. He said that there hasn't been a lot of student interest and hopes more students will turn up.

Fliers are being distributed to the residence halls. A list of activities is posted on the internet under student affairs. Faculty and staff members are welcome to stay in guest quarters at the residence halls if they need to, or even just want to, in order to experience more of what students do. Friends can also go along, so notify the director of the activity. Administrators are seeking suggestions that will help this program gain interest. To find out more about this program, call 1-800-577-6826 (ext.4930).

Next semester, the Flashlight will be seeking members to fill nearly all editorial positions. We will also need staff writers and photographers.

If you would like to be a member of the new Flashlight staff, contact us at X 4986 or come to one of our Monday meetings next semester.

Recent indecent assault charges downgraded

by Joe Wagner

The Mansfield University police investigation into an alleged indecent assault has slowed down after a month of unresolved leads.

The alleged incident occurred on the Mansfield University campus just after midnight on the morning of November 1. A male reportedly assaulted a female.

"We're going to conclude the investigation for right now, but it will remain open," Mansfield University Police Chief Christine Sheegan said. "By concluding the investigation, we have finished up all of our interviews and reinterviews. But we are going to leave the case open so that if we identify the suspect, and the victim wants to prosecute, we will be able to."

If the victim decides not to press charges at this time, she could press charges up until a five-year statute of limitations runs out in this case.

The alleged indecent assault happened around the South Hall Mall area, close to North Hall Library. Reports on

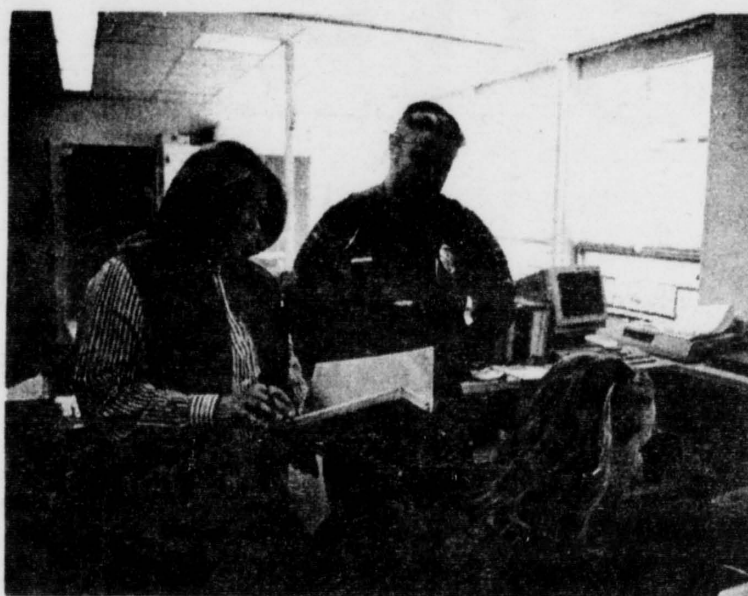


photo by Joe Wagner

Police Chief Christine Sheegan (at left) and the Mansfield University police department have concluded the indecent assault case from Halloween night.

the magnitude and location of the crime have changed since originally statements given to police on November 1 at 5:00 PM.

The 18-year-old victim first reported that she was sexually assaulted in Cedarcrest Manor at approximately 2:00 AM. Upon her second interview with the police, the victim said that the assault happened in the South Hall Mall

rather than her dorm room.

"After conducting a number of interviews in Cedarcrest, we went back and asked her for a closer time and a better description," Sheegan said. "When we interviewed the victim again, she was able to give more detail and said that the assault happened in South Hall Mall near the North Hall Library."

Sheegan described the events in chronological order as the victim described them to her.

The victim, walking by herself, returned to campus from an off campus party around midnight. The police do know what party the victim attended but did not reveal the information. Sheegan said that

in all likelihood the victim passed by Elliot Hall and continued on past Memorial Hall.

When she just entered the South Hall Mall, she was approached by the assailant. The assailant, a stranger to the victim, attempted to strike up a conversation with the girl.

At this point, the victim cannot recall what exactly happened.

"She said that there was indecent contact between the two of them from what she remembers," Sheegan said. "She cannot confirm what happened. That is the reason we regraded the incident from sexual assault to indecent assault."

After the incident, the victim remembered walking back to her Cedarcrest dormitory. She recognized a friend that she knew and together they walked down Clinton Street to Cedarcrest, Sheegan said.

The victim described her assailant as a white male in his teens or early twenties. He was between 5'7" and 5'8" tall, between 175-180 pounds, with a muscular or stocky build. He had dark brown hair and a dark goatee.

"We do have names of two individuals that match the description of the assailant," Sheegan said. "Whether these two people are the correct person has not been established. The assailant might not even be a person affiliated with the university. The victim did say that she would recognize the assailant if she saw him again."

Because of the delicacy of the situation, not all of the facts that the police have gathered have been released.

"There are confidentiality issues that deal with the victim," Sheegan said. "We also have an obligation to the community to make everyone aware of what happened. But I don't feel that this is a 'stranger danger' rapist-type situation."

The Campus Police are now waiting for test results from doctors at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital in Wellsboro.

Those tests will determine whether seminal fluid was actually exchanged. If there was seminal fluid found in the sample, the indecent assault charge could then be upgraded to sexual assault. DNA could also be identified from these tests.

"The problem with this is that the tests are much like fingerprints. If we don't have anybody to match this DNA with, we still are where we are at now," Sheegan said.

Sheegan said that those results will be back early next week.

Members of student organizations, faculty and police traversed the length of campus last Thursday in a lighting committee to determine what areas of campus are not lit well enough for safety.

Sheegan is also looking into placing more emergency phones on the outskirts of campus.

MU gets multi-million grant

Lisa Robinson

\$6.6 million that was promised to Mansfield University in 1994 by the state of Pennsylvania was released by Governor Tom Ridge recently. The money, part of \$7.95 allocation, is for improvements to campus infrastructures which will begin this spring.

"The release of this money allows us to redirect other deferred maintenance funds directly into buildings," MU President, John Halstead said. "It also lays the groundwork for nearly \$15 million in academic facilities improvements and renovation of Alumni Hall into a new student union—important capital projects for the university in the next few years."

In 1995, Governor Ridge released approximately

\$1.35 million for project design. That design has been completed. \$300,000 which had been budgeted by the University for deferred maintenance projects this year will now go directly into projects for buildings.

Addressing some students concern that tuition money was being put toward the building renovations president of Student Affairs, Joe Moresco, addressed the Student Government Monday night saying that the \$6.6 million will not effect tuition at all.

"The \$6.6 million for infrastructure," Moresco said. "The university can't use the money for anything else but that. Certain money is for certain things. They are deferred funds and are earmarked for certain projects. This money has been legislatively approved for those things. That is how state schools work."

Vice President for administration and finance, William Yost, said every building and person on campus will benefit from the improvements these funds will provide. The work on the buildings will begin in the Spring, however the majority of the construction will be conducted during the summer of 1999 and the summer of 2000 in order to reduce impact on the university's spring and fall semesters.

Projects on campus which will benefit from the funds will be the refurbishing of the floor of Decker Gymnasium as well as replacing the lights in the main gym.

The money will also help to repair the university's track, a project already completed, to replace the wooden exterior doors of Straughn Hall. Rehabilitating the roof structure of Elliot Hall will also be completed.



photo by Joe Wagner

Boxes are piled against the glass doors of the old Rec Center as workers prepare to tear down the building to build a near parking garage.

Old Rec to be torn down for new garage

By Katie Danielson

Mansfield University is hoping to have a parking garage in place of the old Recreation Center by next year.

The old Recreation Center is expected to be torn down this winter. According to Joseph Maresco, vice-president of student affairs, the goal is to make the campus more pedestrian friendly. Plans include the possible elimination of Wilson Street and Straughn Drive.

The parking garage will help provide more convenient parking in the center of campus. Performances at Straughn Hall also will benefit with having easy access to the parking garage.

The planned two-level garage would have two street-level entrances.

The lower-level entrance will be where the main entrance to the Recreation Center is now; the upper-level entrance will be beside Belknap Hall. The whole project should take two to three years.

The Flashlight wishes all of you out there a happy Holiday season.

SGA discusses building new student union

by Sarah Beaumont

In its eleventh meeting of the semester November 23, the Student Government Association considered a number of complaints about the spring registration process.

The freshmen were allowed to register for classes first, creating problems for the current senior class trying to get into HPE courses to fulfill their requirements to graduate on time. EJ. Gallagher, SG chair, stressed concern about scheduling procedures being "luck of the draw." Freshmen complained over having a "canned" schedule, meaning their courses were chosen for them (a common practice for all first-year students).

In other business:

-The radio station, WNTS, was granted \$10,000 to get itself back up and running. A few weeks ago the radio station had to shut down for the semester because of a blown transmitter.

-The search for a student trustee to take the place of a graduating senior was announced. A freshman or sophomore is preferred because of the importance of the position and once someone is found SGA would like for that person to maintain trustee status as long

as possible.

-Comments on the university's Strategic Action Plan were directed toward the Career Service Center. The emphasis on student enrollment and lack of attention on graduate job placement was expressed as a concern.

The final meeting of Mansfield University's SGA on Monday, November 30, highlighted a presentation on the new student union.

Tentative construction is scheduled to begin March 1, 1999, said Joe Maresco, vice president of student affairs. There have been rumors that construction has been delayed because of the seventh and eighth graders currently occupying the empty rooms of Alumni Hall, the designated building for the student union.

Maresco assured the attendees that the renovations have not been delayed. When the university allowed the middle school students to use the empty classrooms on the third and fourth floors of Alumni, all members involved were under an agreement that the students would not affect the installation of the new student union.

The new union is scheduled to be completed at the earliest December 1, 1999, otherwise finished for the spring semester of 2000.



photo by Sarah Beaumont

Joe Maresco shows SGA the current plans for the new Student Union.

The student union is going to be extraordinary, according to Maresco. The renovation will include a two-story bookstore with a dressing room, skylights to allow the natural light in, a portable stage, a filming area, carpeted walls, and a gallery similar to the one cur-

rently in lower North Hall to display art work. Other features will include lounging areas, commuter lockers, plug-ins for laptops, the Martin Luther King center, a copying center, administrative offices, and the *Flashlight* office with a separate entrance for late-night deadlines.

Maresco seemed very excited about the building.

"We were very conscious of student concerns when drawing up the plans...this project has been in the making since spring 1998," Maresco explained. The blueprints and drawings that Maresco showed the SGA members and others attending, was the third rendition that had been executed.

The old student union will become the technology/computer and distance education center as well as a technology training center that would service the region and possibly train public school teachers in a continuing education center.

A major concern to current students: will this affect tuition costs?

"This is a \$3.5 million project that the university has taken on, and it has judiciously been putting money away. There will be zero impact on tuition. Tuition will not be affected," Maresco said.

As the meeting adjourned, senior Robert Thomas granted farewell wishes.

"It's the best thing (SGA) to be involved in on campus. Over the years I have seen many things come about through this organization," Thomas said. He encouraged all current members to "stick with it."

Distinguished psychologist lectures at Mansfield

by Pamela Beaver

Dr. Ronald Bersoff, a distinguished psychologist, visited Mansfield University on in November to speak to a full auditorium of students and faculty about the U.S. courts inability to grant children the protections

that are afforded to adults by the Constitution.

Bersoff used an analogy of the 1867 decision by the Chief Justice of the United States that denied African Americans protection under the Constitution because they were not considered people of the United States. Bersoff said the case shows how children are

viewed by U.S. courts today.

One example he used was a case in 1967, where a 15-year-old was sentenced to six years in a delinquency center for making an obscene telephone call. The child was refused counsel and was not told of the charges brought against him. An adult would have been informed and offered counsel. The rights of the child were not being taken away because children because children have no rights, the Justice wrote as the opinion of the court. This opinion served as the springboard to the conclusion that neither the Fourteenth Amendment nor the Bill of Rights is for adults alone.

Two years later in the case of *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent School District*, the Supreme Court ruled that children were persons under the Constitution and were afforded constitutional rights, and that students should not be expected to shed their constitutional rights at the schoolhouse gates, particularly their freedom of expression. This case also gave schools the right to act in place of the parents.

In a 1975 case, the Court held that high school students have the right to a hearing, before they are suspended from school. Rights of children are starting to be recognized but

progress still is needed.

"The current reality is...that the Supreme Court, when it comes to children, is at best ignorant and at worst fraudulent and implicit," Bersoff said. A child still does not have a voice in the type of treatment he/she will receive in the event it is deemed necessary. The child is at the mercy of his caretaker; those who act in behalf of are under no obligation to consult with the child they are acting for. The courts allow mentally ill adult patients to have say in their course of treatment, unless through a hearing they are deemed incompetent. Children are not given this consideration. Dr. Bersoff went on to point out that the Supreme Courts views that children are too immature to make their own decisions.

"Rather than assume that children are too young emotionally, experientially, and cognitively to make 'appropriate' decisions. We can presume that children are capable of making decisions no more disastrously than adults," Bersoff said.

Parents and states are exerting erroneous control of children. Prison guards are not allowed to strike a convicted murderer, but school officials have the right to strike a child

Bersoff said.

"It is the student's judgment not his parents that is essential to give full meaning to what we have said about the Bill of Rights and the right of students to be masters of their own destiny," Dr. Bersoff said. He feels that if children are involved in what rules govern them they will adhere to them more. Children should be taught to make sound decisions and if we do not allow them to make decisions, we are retarding them. He recommends that studies on children be taken out of the laboratories and put in realistic settings. Here psychologists will get a better understanding of children's behavior. Bersoff also recommends that the courts pay more attention to these studies.

After retiring from the Air Force in 1968, Dr. Bersoff taught psychology for a year here at Mansfield. After his short stay at Mansfield, he then went on to teach psychology at other universities. He then graduated from Yale Law School and served on the first general council of the American Psychological Association. He recently served his tenth year as the director of the psychology law program of the Allegheny University of Health Sciences at Belinova University.

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- A search committee has been formed to select a new student member for Mansfield University Council of Trustees.

Due to Steven K. Winnie's, Chair, Student Trustee Search Committee, impending graduation in May, 1999. Applications for this position may be picked up in either the Residence Life Office, Room 120, Pinecrest or in the Presidents Office, Room 500, North Hall. Completed applications are to be returned to the President's Office by February 1, 1999. Additional information may be obtained by calling the President's Office (662-4046).

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Strategic Action Plan Finalized

by Sarah Beaumont

Three major initiatives—focus on learning, collaboration and integration, and the accountability imperative. Dedicated to providing an environment that promotes academic and personal growth as well as intellectual, ethical, and aesthetic values. These statements, including many others, are the ingredients to Mansfield University's Strategic Action Plan, draft two.

The initial document, written and compiled by President Halstead and a committee consisting of the provost, vice president, and the associate provost was accessible to all students, faculty, and employees.

The Strategic Action Plan is a "clear set of directions and a compass for the future" of Mansfield University's continuing education, said Halstead. "One of the qualifications to become president is to provide a vision for the university."

As the university is approaching the year 2000, Halstead deemed it "timely and fitting" to review and update the Institutional Plan, 1990-2000. The first draft was constructed August 24 and revised and the second draft was written October 30, put on the web November 4.

Students, faculty, and employees were encouraged to submit comments via email or campus mail to the North Hall by Tuesday, December 1, after which

the committee took what responses they had received and once again revised the plan. It's the issues that received concern and were put in a constructive way and fit with the goals and priorities chosen by the leadership that were given the most attention. The new draft is to be out by the beginning of next week, December 7, for all to view and the final publications will be in print January 11.

Enrollment is repeatedly mentioned as a primary goal as the new millennium is approached. One of the concerns stressed by a student, E.J. Gallagher (also a student government chair), was based on the employment of graduates. Once a student is enrolled, spends four, five, sometimes six years completing a degree and graduates, what's next? The Career Service Center is available to all students; those willing to put the time in. Gallagher's concern was toward better connections between students and alumni, possibly exposing various majors to employees in their given fields that could show them (the students) and teach them about job placement. How well they can succeed if determined.

The Communication department is one of the few departments that holds an Alumni day that brings in previous graduates within a broad spectrum of careers. Held annually in the spring, next semester it will be April 9, students are encouraged to attend and ask questions for guidance on what to do next.

This concern for better connections between students and

alumni is added and clearly explained in the next draft.

The primary goal is enrollment and student quality. What is meant by student quality? According to Halstead, student quality is "to create student expectations. As move to 3500 students, we are looking to improve the academic profile of students by including such things as SAT scores and rank in class when evaluating applications."

"This will elevate the academic community and the balance with state universities concerning access to students."

Halstead went on to explain the complexity of the issue and that it involves all of us working together.

With these two goals in mind, the Strategic Action Plan looks to give it's paying customers the best deals around. And when it comes to cost, Mansfield helps in any way it can. Constraining student costs and using all sources of student aid and state appropriation while providing access to all available information and resources.

Reaching out to the community, providing extended learning to qualified high school students, computer knowledge training sessions for professors and high school teachers to introduce them to the most recent software advances, and promoting an increase awareness of cultural identities while emphasizing cultural academics: all of the things that Mansfield University stands for.



The Mansfield University music department will present their annual concert tonight at Steadman Theater.

Concert swings onto campus

by Lisa Robinson

"Sleigh bells ring are you listening?"

Yup, it's that time of year again guys. Get out your jingle bells and your mistle toe and head on up to Steadman Theatre 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, for a jingle bell rockin' time as the Mansfield University Music Department presents its annual holiday choral concert under the theme "Holiday Music Down Through The Ages".

Mansfield University Director of Choral Activities, Peggy Dettwiler, is looking forward to the upcoming concert which will weave classics with classical, and

classical with the clever.

"There will be several carols that will encourage audience participation," Dettwiler said.

Audience members will be provided with sing along sheets as well as English translations for the classical pieces which will be sung in Hebrew, Latin, and German. The highlight of the concert will be the hilarious "Musicological Journey through the 12 Days of Christmas" which is of course a play off the original "12 days of Christmas." The song offers up a variety of songs from a variety of countries and composers. According to Dettwiler the piece is a challenging one for her students but fun to sing because of the familiar melody which runs throughout.

Most of these people are used to singing unfamiliar music,"

Dettwiler said. "But it is nice to hear something familiar come through."

The piece will feature 150 musicians from the university community and surrounding area as members from both the Concert Choir and Festival Chorus join for the performance. Well known composers featured in the piece will be Mozart, Wagner, Vivaldi and John Phillip Sousa. Some familiar songs will be from The Nutcracker Sweet, The Ride of the Valkyries and Stars and Stripes Forever.

Tickets are available at the Music Department office for \$5 for adults and \$2 for students and children and can also be bought at the door. For reservations call 662-4710.

Your student newspaper enters a new era

If you haven't already noticed the staff at the Flashlight has changed. It's a new era in journalism here at Mansfield. Don't worry you will still get all that hard hitting news you have loved. Even if you have been told we are a bunch of public relations people pretending to be journalists. We won't let you down, loyal readers. But, if you are a loyal reader simply because of the Comics and Fun page or the Features pages, you might be upset. Things here are changing, as will our image of professionalism.

This is not the end, it is simply the beginning. Let's just get the idea that change is bad out of the way. Some people rail against change like they do the flu. They refuse to look around the corner of life and see that the grass is indeed greener on the other side. That is what we here at the Flashlight plan to do as we embark on a new journey with almost an entirely new staff. We will report the news, good or bad, without a slant or bias. That is our prime goal. We choose now not to entertain or engage in mindless banter and prattle.

The future is indeed bright here at Mansfield and you can expect from us what you would expect from any professional campus newspaper. The hard, cold truth. One must remember journalists are not perfect. Their job is to serve the people, get the word out, remind their readers that it is their right to know. Sometimes they make mistakes. It is human.

So, we ask you to be patient, to remember we fail just as you do and to give us time to correct ourselves when we make those mistakes that send your hands clapping to your forehead in horror. It is a new age at Mansfield, but we do not look at it with fear.

We look at it with courage and with the knowledge that we are simply preparing ourselves for those things that we will face when we step off this campus and into the future. The new staff asks you to prepare with us and in the end we will step off together, carrying our experience at Mansfield with us.

We ask you not just to read our newspaper, but to write it as well. The greater and more diverse group, the better our newspaper will be.

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Letters to the Editor

WNTE, the scoop from an inside source

When I heard that they needed people to write for the Flashlight, I thought what the hell. I could not do anything worse than what has already been written. I decided to begin writing a column, because I needed a place to vent besides my two weekly radio shows. Which brings me to the topic I am about to discuss.

WNTE-FM—The official story. If you read the front page story of the Flashlight about three weeks ago, I am sure you caught the first part of the article but like most of you couldn't find the rest of the story on page two. Well here is what is currently happening in the basement of South Hall.

For those who do not know I am currently the Chief Engineer for WNTE. In late

October our transmitter went on the fritz. We had loose wire that was causing the transmitter to short out. That first knocked us off the air. Two days later, the control board, the lifeline of our station also died. It was over ten years old and went through a great deal of wear and tear. We applied and received emergency funding from the Committee on Finance to purchase the necessary equipment to make the repairs to the station.

I am happy to tell everyone that on Wednesday, I received the new control boards and most of the extras to fix all of our problems. As for returning to the air...that will be in January. We have hired a licensed engineer from WETM-TV in Elmira, NY. He has been very kind in helping us get back on the air.

As for ever so rumored upgrade....It is currently on hold. The university had to move the tower site for logistical reasons about 100 yards from its original location. Because of that move, we have to re-file for a construction permit from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). When everything is approved, then bids for the construction of a tower will go out.

I encourage everyone to come to our first meeting of the spring semester on January 12 at 8 PM. In the basement of Memorial Hall. All current disc jockeys will need to attend a training session the first week to learn how to use the new equipment. Hope everyone has a safe and happy holidays.

by Jason Crundwell

MU student goes off on the Flashlight

To the Creative Staff of the Flashlight,

Well, I suppose you can call this a rebuttal if you'd like, but why bother labeling it. There are just a few lines to clear some matters up which have been on my mind for some time. Of course, it is about the WNTE issue which you folks down there at the Flashlight love to criticize and kick us while we are down about. By the time you receive this, some of the information that I am presenting may be obsolete. Now I'm not too good at these things, so be sure to crucify me if I happen to forget to dot an "I" or perchance forget to put that little squiggly in my "Q". I have read your commentaries on the issue of the radio stations and I feel that you have shed poor light upon the efforts of the radio station and the efforts of the people who work there. Let's not forget that they feel strongly about it as you do about your paper. You have inferred that there is nothing on the radio besides the Rap and Hip Hop programs and that if the Sunday Evening Bingers were still on the radio maybe our transmitter would have never broken down. Well, I have to tell you, being the Program Director I gave all the returning staff members a fair

share of time to come to me and sign up for their shows. Now everyone with a few exceptions had a time and a slot in which they felt comfortable. One of the alleged Bingers came to me six weeks into the semester and asked for his old slot, but unfortunately I had to decline him his spot because someone else had asked to have it. This wasn't WNTE's fault. So if you are still bitching that the Bingers aren't on the air any longer, take your comments elsewhere. Now onto the second order of business. There are under ten DJs with shows that contain the Rap/R&B format, so you can't tell me that is all we play. We have rotation containing Alternative, Loud Rock, RPM (TECHNO), and RAP to suit all tastes of music lovers, and contained on our daily menu there are several variety shows.

But I see that's not good enough, right? Because let's face the entire campus wants to hear the Greatful Dead, Phish, Crosby, Stills and Nash, smoke a big, fat joint, and rot themselves into oblivion. You wouldn't consider a techno based band talented, right? And why...well, the good Lord knows why, but I'm sure that you guys have some bullshit justification living in your Neo-Beatnik world as to why contemporary music

just isn't good enough. And of course you had to mention how Rave 2 Save was a bore. Well yes, maybe to you fools who are too cool to get involved in on-campus activities, I suppose it would be. You prefer to go to some frat party, getting shit-faced, and puking your guts out in front of the chick down at Dunkin Donuts. That's pride, let me tell you. The fact of the matter is that the event was to benefit local charities in the area. We never promised that you'd get oral sex if you attended, now did we? Well, personally, I can only take so much of "I Will Get By" before I have to bend myself over and administer a salt water enema into my rectum. If you don't like our radio station, then so be it, then don't listen. But don't criticize our work because there are a great many people who have strived to make it better. As much as the radio station is another band on the radio dial to you, is as much as your newspaper begins to become one more thing to wipe my ass with.

P.S. If you want to see changes on your campus, then it's up to you to make them happen. And by the way, love the cliffhanger articles...weekly installments, that's genius!

Alex Scharf

Letters to the Editor

The Flashlight is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. This means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

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Features

No time to eat? Save time by reading this piece of info

by Sarah Beaumont

The end is here. The end of the semester that is. Late-night cramming sessions, too much studying headaches, brain overloads, anxiety attacks, forgotten papers, not enough time. So who has time to eat?

I do. Now, I am not an expert, just an average college student. What I do know is that to survive the forthcoming endless hours of studying, we need energy, and food equals energy.

"I don't have time," you repeat. Well, yes you do. Time is valuable, but we all need a little boost during these final weeks; so this is a brief pitch for Mansfield's local fast-food restaurants and how they can help you finish that last chapter of quantum physics.

It's been said numerous times before about how bad fast-food is. Another thing to consider though, is that no matter how many times college students are told just how bad this food is, they are going to eat it anyway.

With every kind of eating disorder rampant on college campuses across the country, this type of food is better than no food at all. The key word is moderation. I'm not recommending that fast-food be submitted for all three meals a day, every single day of the week. Just once in awhile, and this happens to be one of the "whiles," between reading, writing, and studying.

Wendy's, Arby's, and McDonald's first come to mind when thinking in terms of fast-food restaurants in the Mansfield area. Wendy's is a personal favorite of mine, but I will try not to be biased.

From Mansfield University, Wendy's and Arby's is a slight drive down past Wal-Mart, going south towards Route 15; what awaits is worth the trip. Once you arrive, a typical meal could consist of the following: garden ranch chicken pita and a medium frosty from Wendy's; or curly fries, a roast beef sandwich, and a refreshing

Dr. Pepper from Arby's. Then back in town at McDonald's: nine-piece chicken nuggets, a cheeseburger, small fries, and a vanilla shake.

How do these three meals stack up in terms of food value? The Wendy's meal is 124 grams of carbohydrates, the Arby's meal 111 grams, and the McDonald's meal 143 grams. Carbohydrates are turned into energy once our body has processed the food. Fat content should also be an issue to pay attention to when choosing what food to eat, but for now concentration is going to be given to the carbohydrate content.

Back to the meals. Someone hungrier could want more. Breaded chicken fillet (46g of carbo), a side salad (4g), deluxe baked potato (86g), and an orange juice (20g) from Arby's equal a total of 156g of carbohydrates. Not in an Arby's mood? Try a spicy chicken sandwich (43g), broccoli-and-cheese baked potato (80g), and a small lemonade (24g) from Wendy's. Total: 147g of carbohydrates.

Hungry yet? Be careful though. As for most things in life, there are cautions to consider. An average sedentary male is recommended 375g of carbohydrates a day and an average sedentary female is recommended 300g a day, for the whole day. The previous meals mentioned from Wendy's, Arby's, and McDonald's gave the calculations for one meal out of three a day.

Too much of a good thing isn't always better, and the best could be the worst. Since we use carbohydrates as energy, whatever we don't use is stored in our bodies. Once these storage areas are full, the rest is stored as excess fat, especially damaging for a person who is not active.

A majority of college students are active, but during test time, pushing the pen around on paper or tapping the keys of a keyboard take priority over physical exercise.

One way to balance levels of fast-food intake is to

know more about what you're eating. Restaurants are required to have nutritional information brochures available for anyone who asks. This information is valuable when determining where to eat next.

If exam week finds you a frequent flier at the fast-food counter, go ahead, keep your strength up. But be smart—i.e. ask the Wendy's employee to withhold the dressing from your garden ranch chicken pita for a lower fat content.

Get some fresh air. Don't forget to eat. But do remember: we use some, store some, and gain some. Choose wisely.

Joe Black, disappointing and long

by Jeremy Cheezum

I love love stories; in fact, some of my favorite movies are love stories. I say this because I did not like the movie *Meet Joe Black*, and some people might say that I hate love stories because I am a guy. *Meet Joe Black* is a very long and at some points boring movie.

Meet Joe Black stars Brad Pitt (*Seven*) as the grim

reaper himself. Death comes to earth and makes Anthony Hopkins (*Silence of the Lambs*) show him around. The reason Death, also known as Joe Black, chooses Hopkins is because Hopkins is a billionaire and lived a good life, a life that is almost over. While on earth, Joe Black experiences everything from peanut butter to sex, and of course he falls in love with Hopkins daughter played

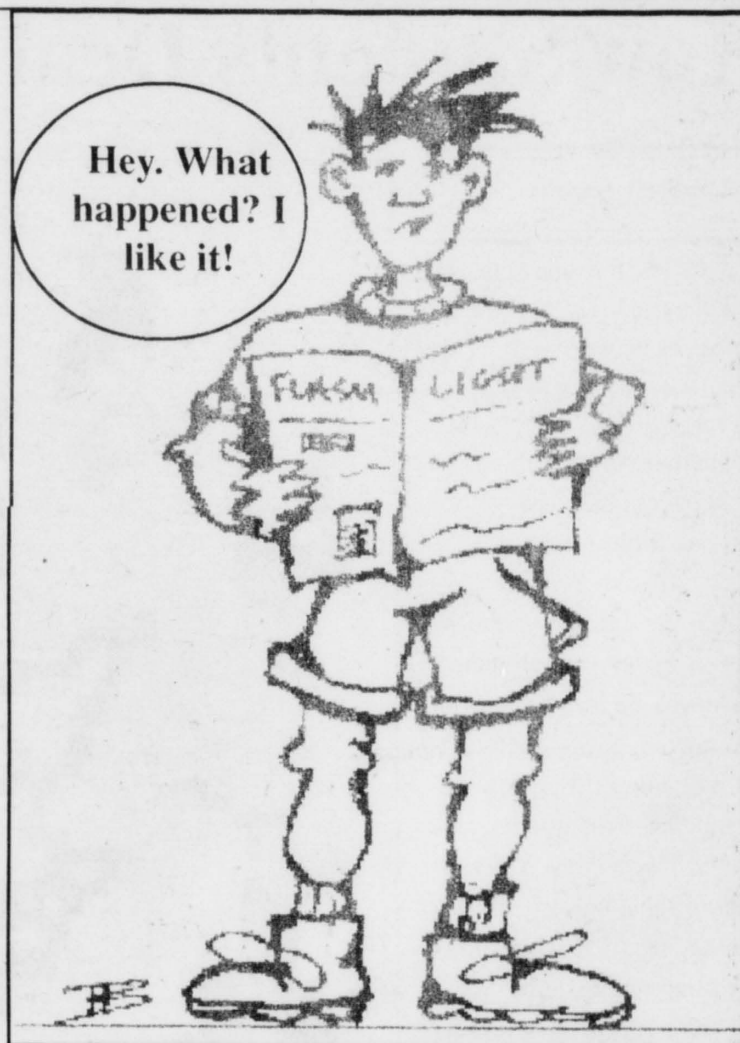
by Claire Forlani. One of the best actors in the movie was Jefferey Tambor (*The Larry Sanders Show*). He was Hopkins's son-in-law and one of his chief officers in his corporation. By the end of the movie, I loved his character and actually felt for him. That is how Brad Pitt and Claire Forlani were supposed to act, but I guess they forgot that. By the end of the movie, Joe Black has to leave. Will he take Forlani? Will he take Hopkins? Will he stay? Will anybody care after three long hours? My opinion on the last question is NO!

If you are going to go see this movie be prepared for a very long movie. The acting by Pitt and Forlani was not good; I did not care if they got together or not. The only people you did care about were Tambor and Anthony Hopkins, who gave an excellent performance.

The best thing about the movie was that there were two separate plots, Death falling in love, and Hopkins trying to take care of his million dollar corporation. It was also great how the two were intertwined so well together. That is great script writing.

If you are a Brad Pitt fan, go see the movie; if you are anything else go see *The Waterboy*.

Grade: C



Campus *Style*

How Students Deal with Stress During Finals

by Kimberly Sapone

It's that time of the semester again. That's right, finals week has arrived. This means not only final exams, but also final projects, final papers, and of course that one thing that we all experience, and not one of us can avoid - stress.

You sit down to study for that big exam in the class that you tried to avoid all semester. As you are reading through the numerous pages of information that you must process before the final, irrational thoughts begin to plague you. You start thinking about how you are going to fail the final, which turns into failing out of school. Soon, you have pictured yourself working a monotonous, minimum-wage job for the rest of your life.

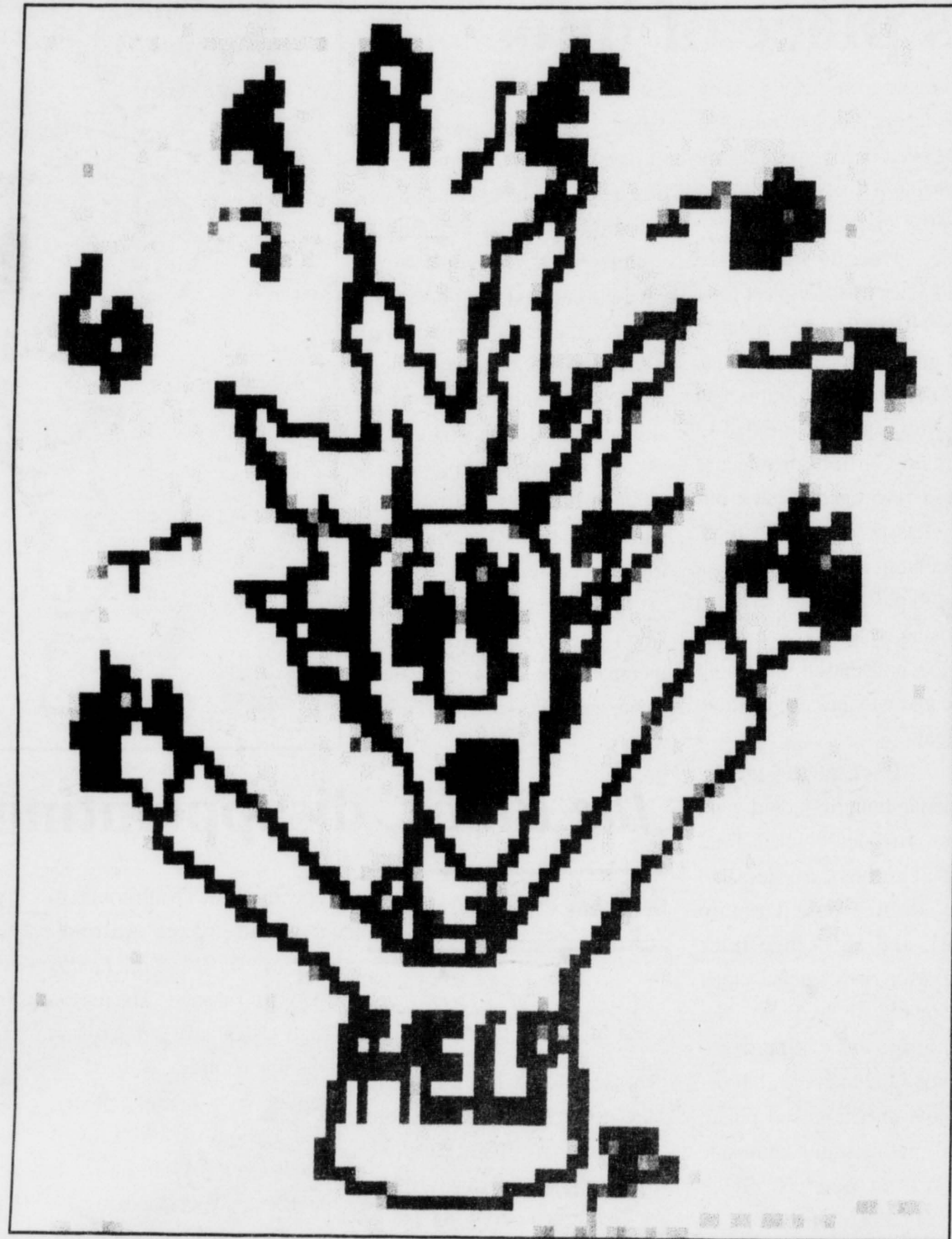
Okay, now take a deep breath and relax. This is one of the many different things that you can do to help yourself relieve stress. Mansfield University is also offering help to its students through the incredibly rough time of final exam week.

For starters, head over to the United Campus Ministry Office in Pinecrest. There you can find jigsaw puzzles, crayons, coloring books, clay, bubbles, trivia games, building blocks, a couch, pillows, and even back rubs. All of these things are guaranteed to take a little bit of the pre-final stress away. The ministry office will be open from 10 PM until 3 PM every day to help you out.

The Rev. Deborah Casey wants to remind students to prepare the best they can for their finals and to remember that you can always do better next semester.

"Don't pull an all-nighter the night before a final exam; it won't leave you at your best," Casey warns. She also says that saying a little prayer might just help as well.

Some helpful study tips to avoid exam stress would be to be prepared, study your weakest subjects first, ask for help, don't study too long, and go to your classes at the end of the semester. These and more tips can be found on the second



floor of South Hall.

Mansfield Activities Council and the Student Activities also hope to help students deal with stress by hosting a Casino Night with Bobby K. at the Hut, Friday night, December 4th at 9 PM. This is sure to be a night of fun before Morgue Hours begin, to help distract your mind from final anxiety, even if just for a little while.

Also helping out with stress relief will be All Residence Hall Council. Each of the dorms will have special culinary treats for its residents each night of finals week. These include cookies made lovingly by the ladies at the local churches on Sunday night, and also bagels and donuts, a pizza night, a veggie and fruit night, and an ice cream night. Organizers are planning to begin at around 7 PM each night. (This may vary depending on your residence hall.) Also, food services will be hosting two cereal nights in

lower Manser where you can get some free cereal, which provides an excellent study break. Cereal nights will be posted in the dorms.

Another thing that you can do is talk with peers. Maybe you can find a way to help yourself at the same time.

Senior psychology major Melissa Stock has an unusual way of dealing with her stress.

"I am going to put on my cow costume and walk around mooing at the people studying," Stock says.

Freshman accounting

major Stacey Staudenmeier says she is going to study and "not let it bother her."

Jenna Rawa, a freshman psychology major says she plans on focusing and taking breaks whenever she feels she needs them.

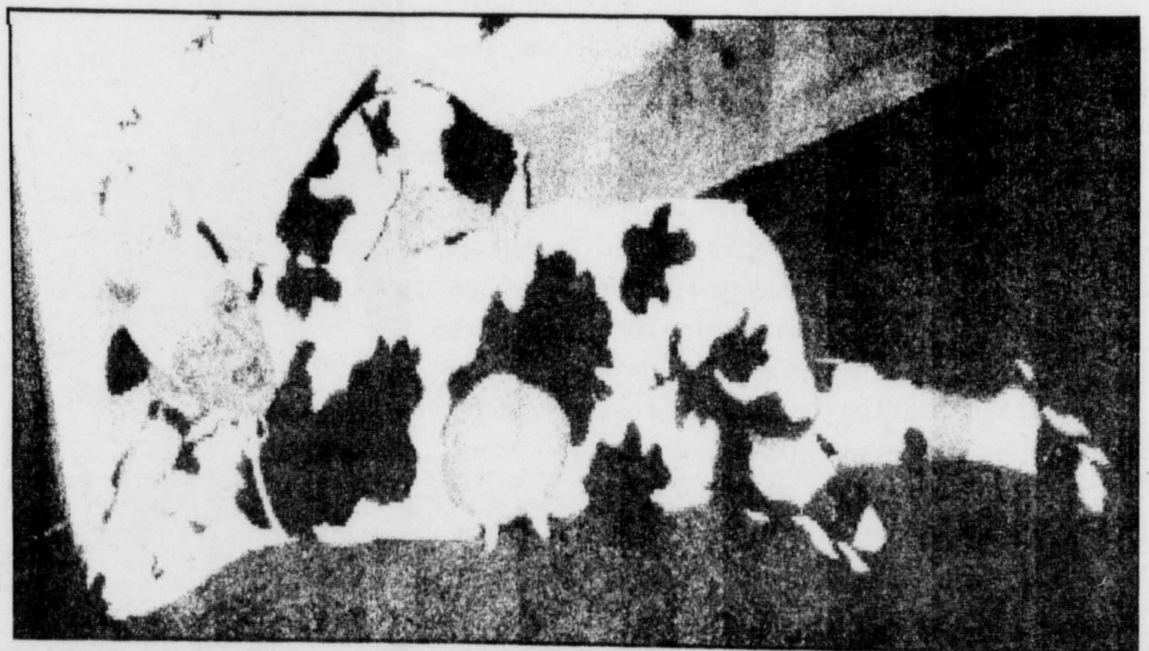
"I'm going to call my mom whenever I start to cry as well," Rawa says.

Everyone has his or her own study habits, so go out and see what others think as well.

So you have explored all these options, and the stress is still getting to you? Well, there are some stress coping strategies that you can find hanging on the wall on the second floor of South Hall, near the counseling center. Some of these strategies include: learning to pace yourself, setting limits, exercise, and perhaps most importantly, learning to accept what you cannot change. Pick up a few of these handouts and see what things you can do to help yourself feel better this week.

Finally, if the stress really does become too much to handle, make an appointment with the counseling center. There you will find a friendly ear to listen to all you have to say, and get the help you need.

So, students of MU, realize that exams are not the end of the world. You will make it through. Good luck on your finals!



Mansfield University student Missi Stock relieves stress by dressing up as a cow. This is just one example of the many ways you can avoid stress before finals.